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TOKYO, March 17 (R) - The Japanese government, fearing protests next week during the visit of a U.S. nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, told the United States Thursday it cannot bring nuclear weapons into Japan.

A government spokesman said Foreign Minister Shintaro Abe reminded U.S. Ambassador Mike Mansfield that Japanese. regulations do not permit production or possession of nuclear weapons in this country or the introduction of such weapons into Japan or its territorial waters.

Many Japanese believe that the carrier, the 90,000-ton Enterprise, which arrives at Sasebo in southern Japan on Monday, carries nuclear weapons for its A-6 and A-7 bem-

More than 3,000 riot police will protect the ship and its 5,500-man crew when it arrives with its escorting cruisers and destroyers after taking part in major war games still under way in South Korea. On Wednesday, police found an unexploded fire bomb in a U.S. navy ammunition dump in Sasebo and several radical groups have said they will protest at the carrier's arrival, including some who said they will use boats to try to disrupt its entry into port.

- serving in peacekeeping roles - must be Bonn backs rights of Palestinians

BONN, March 17 (AP) - West German President Karl Carstens welcomed King Hussein of Jordan with military bonors at the start Thursday of the Arab monarch's European tour to promote peace in the Middle

At a luncheon Carstens gave for Hussein, the federal president emphasized that just and lasting peace in the Middle East was impossible without recognition of the rights of the Palestinian people and the right of

Iranians shout anti-U.S. slogans

DAMASCUS, March 17 (AP) - A group of Iranians, shouting death of America gathered around former U.S. President Jimmy Carter as he toured the ancient market in Damascus on Thursday, on the second day of a private visit to Syria, witnesses said.

Carter and his wife. Rosalyn, arrived in Damascus on Wednesday. During a sightseeing tour Thursday, he visited the market where a group of Iranians gathered around him shouted "God is great," and "death to

Americans," witnesses reported. President Hafez Assad gave a luncheon for the Carters, but there were no reports about their discussions, which Syrian officials described as "private and non-official."

Carter is on a Middle East tour that has already taken him to Egypt, Israel, Jordan and Saudi Arabia. He was expected to pay a hrief visit to Lebanon on Friday where he was to meet President Amin Gemayel and visit the U.S. Marines of the multinational peacekeeping force.

Israel to exist within safe borders.

than the exception...

West Germany and its European partners would do everything in their power to further the prospects for achieving a peaceful solution in the Middle East, Carstens said. West Germany currently holds the presidency in the European Community.

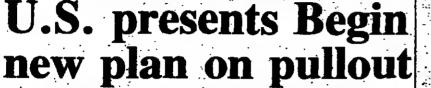
He added that in Bonn's view, the American peace plan of Sept. 1, the Arab peace blueprint adopted in Fez Sept. 9, and the European community's 1979 Venice declaration urging all states in the region to recognize each other's existence and support Palestinian self-determination, contained realistic

elements for reaching a solution. "Jordan belongs to our closest friends in the Arab world. The status of our cooperation is excellent," Carstens said. He added, "when weapons become silent in the Middle East, then peace in Europe will also be more

secure." Hussein also met for 90 minutes Chancellor Helmut Kohl and Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher at the neighboring chancellery, where the two politicians and Bavarian Gov. Franz Josef Strauss were busy with crucial coalition talks for most of the day.

Following the visit, during which Hussein reportedly was to explain the Arab decisions in Fez while the West Germans planned to explain their view that the American, Arab and EC declarations would have to be coordinated to reach a solid negotiating basis, the monarch was to fly to London.

Hussein had arrived in Bonn Wednesday evening and was greeted at the airport by Genscher, who took him to Schloss Gymnich, the moated castle the West German government uses to accommodate heads of state and other important guests.



TEL AVIV, March 17 (R) - Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin Thursday received detailed U.S. proposals on security arrangements in southern Lebanon, Israeli officials said.

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Assuring security

At a briefing for correspondents, they said the new proposals were worked out during Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamin's recent visit to Washington, where he met five times with U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz.

'The ideas are detailed and take our problems into account," said one official, who asked not to be identified. "Whether it is in a way that is enough to satisfy us is for the cabinet to decide."

Begin's government was to discuss the proposals at its weekly meeting on Sunday, the official said. He added that the detailed suggestions were drafted after Shamir left Washington on Tuesday. They were delivered by U.S. Ambassador Samuel Lewis Thursday.

Security in southern Lebanon near the Israeli border has been a major issue in negotiations to secure the withdrawal of all foreign forces from Lebanon. Israel has been demanding five military outposts manned by Israeli soldiers in

southern Lebanon. The official said the new proposals were intended to meet the requirements envisaged for such ontposts without the presence of Israeli troops on Lebanese soil. "We wanted close cooperation between the Israeli and Lebanese armies," he said. "The Americans, who at first did not like this idea, have now accepted it in principle."

Israeli newspapers reported that Washington is now backing the idea of close cooperation on various command levels and arrangements for sharing intelligence data between Lebanon and Israel. The newspapers said Shamir supported the proposals but much would depend on whether the army believed they would

effectively prevent a return of Palestinian commandos to southern Lebanon. The other main stumbling block in the negotiations, the dispute over future Israeli-Lebanese relations, was not discussed in Washington, the official said. Israel is demanding open borders and free movement of goods and people between the two countries. But Lebanon fears open ties with Israel would harm

its relations with the Arab world. The negotiations, which were postponed this week because of the visits of Shamir and Lebanese Foreign Minister Eli Salem to Washington, will resume on Monday in Netanya, north of Tel Aviv, a U.S. Embassy spokesman said.

DETROIT, March 17 (AP) - Israeli

troops are deliberately threatening U.S.

Marines in Lebanon, in one instance shooting

in front of them, the commandant of the

Marine Corps has written U.S. Defense Sec-

retary Caspar Weinberger, according to a

Gen. Robert Barrow asks in the letter that

"firm and strong action", be taken to end the

stander confrontation between the U.S. and -

Israeli troops, the Washington Bureau of

Knight-Ridder newspapers reported. The

article was published in Thursday's editions

of the Detroit Free Press and other newspap-

Barrow said shots were fired in three inci-

dents this year, and in another incident

Israelis threatened to kill an American cap-

tain. It was the first report of such shooting by

Incidents in Lebanon have involved both

American Marine and Army officers "in

life-threatening situations, replete with ver-

bal degradation of the officers, their uniform

and country," Barrow wrote. "Unfortu-

nately, and of greater concern to me, is that

incidents of this nature are the rule, rather

"It is inconceivable to me why Americans"

Israelis involving American forces.

published report.

Attack on Marines

barassed, endangered and degraded by an

In Washington, Marine Corps and Defense

Department spokesmen who asked that their

names not be used said they were not familiar

with the letter or the incidents described by

Barrow.
Weinberger has been accused by Israeli

officials of deliberately overplaying such

instances of confrontation that have occur-

red, notably the one in January in which a

Marine captain drew a pistol to stop an Israeli

At that point, U.S. officials said there had

been "half a dozen" confrontations between

U.S. and Israeli forces. Only one has been

reported since then, last week, when a U.S.

patrol and an Israeli patrol clashed orally on

Wednesday, five Marines were slightly

injured in a grenade attack. The 1,200-man

Marine force, part of a larger deployment of

troops from Britain, Italy and France, has

been patrolling the Beirut area since last fall

in an effort to bolster the Lebanese govern-

The newspaper report said that according

to a classified document, on Jan. 31 an Israeli

tank opened fire with a .50-caliber machine

gun on the road in front of an American

In another incident, Israeli troops pointed

American-Mag - 16 rifles at a Marine captain

and "stated they would kill him if he took one

step toward them," the newspaper reported.

In a third incident described in the docu-

ment, Maj. Herman Kafura, attached to a

United Nations observation team, was

"threatened with pointed weapons" and his

Barrow was quoted as writing that be could

no longer remain silent on this continual

problem of provocation," by Israeli troops.
"It is evident to me that the incidents bet-

ween the Marines and the IDF (Israeli

defense forces) are timed, orchestrated and

executed for obtuse Israeli political pur-

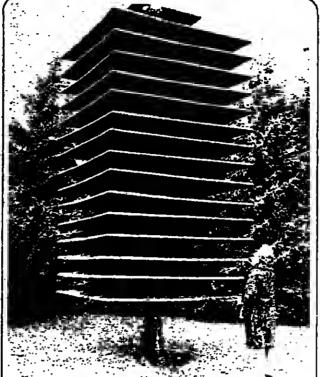
poses," Barrow wrote in the letter dated

The captain rerouted his vehicle.

"life was deliberately threatened."

patrol, forcing the patrol to turn around.

tank patrol from infringing on what he consi dered territory under U.S. control.



ENERGY "TREE": Inventor Gunther Wegener says he has solved his energy problems with development of his energy "tree". Constructed in the garden of his home in Bonn, West Germany, the "tree" heats his home without the use of oil, gas, or coal. It operates by means of a water and anti-freeze mixture that circulates through thin tin plate. The mixture extracts warm air from surrounding atmosphere and reduces temperature by 5 degrees. This is enough to heat the house on the principle of a heat pump, something like a refrigerator but in reverse. Electricity generated by the

Scandal-hit Turin government quits

ROME, March 17 (AP) - The Communist-Socialist city government in Turin resigned Thursday in a mushrooming bribery scandal that has tarnished the reputation for honesty of leftist-led local administ-

Diego Novelli, a Communist who took over as mayor of Italy's automobile capital in 1975 from the Christian Democrats, announced the resignation of the government at a city hall news conference.

It came three days after the gover Turin's region of Piedmont, an alliance of Communists, Socialists and Social Democrats, resigned.

Eight local officials including Turin's Socialist Deputy Mayor Enzo Biffi, have been arrested on charges of corruption.

A separate investigation into waste of public money was extended late Wednesday to Rome's left-wing city council after magistrates said they suspected local officials of falsifying their expenses with fictitious or exaggerated claims for meals.

The leading Corriere Della Sera of Milan said that "the accused and those under investigation now belong to Italy's most powerful parties: the Socialists, Communists and Christian Democrats."

"The investigators' offices and the relevant courts must be left free to get to the bottom of the case, with no exceptions for any party. even if it has a mass following," the news-

paper said in an editorial. The editor of Milan's conservative daily II Giornale Nuovo, wrote that bribe-taking and corruption are widespread now in all of Italy's political parties.

In the 1970's, leftist politicians ran for office pledging to clean up local administrations, arguing they were different from the right-wing Christian Democrats implicated in most of Italy's national and local scandals.

Italy's Communists, Western Europe's largest and the second biggest party in Italy behind the Christian Democrats, won control of most of Italy's major cities in alliances with the Socialists, the third largest party.

Sheikh Ali Khalifa

Soviets threaten to deploy missiles near U.S. borders

Soviet Union Thursday warned it would deploy nuclear missiles "near U.S. borders" if Washington goes ahead with plans to install Pershing II and Cruise missiles in the European theater late this year.

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Soviet academician Georgi Arbatov, head of the United States and Canada Institute here, said Moscow "will have to install extra missiles not only in Europe but also near the American borders" if the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) goes ahead with the deployment.

In a lengthy article published in the Communist Party newspaper Pravda, Arbatov pointed out that if NATO went abead with plans to deploy extra Euromissiles, this would remove all basis for both the Genevabased U.S.-Soviet Euromissile talks as well as an agreement on a reduction of strategic

"It is difficult to imagine that an agreement could be concluded on a reduction of strategic arms," he said. "The Americans will add bundreds of missiles capable of attaining Soviet territory."

This is the second time in a week that the Soviets have raised the possibility of deploying missiles capable of directly threatening the United States.

On March 9, Vadim Zagladin, assistant

ist Party central committee, suggested in Rome that the Soviets could deploy missiles - equivalent to several Pershing 11s in flight time near the United States.

And in his statement Thursday, Arbatov, like Zagladin, rejected the possibility of a U.S.-sponsored "intermediary solution".
Commenting on rumors that Washington might "make new intermediary proposals". he said: "These would only be propaganda move posing as a compromise that was geared at the same end - the deployment of

medium-range armaments in Europe."

Describing U.S. and NATO proposals at the Geneva talks as "dishonest", he added that Western claims that British and French missiles could not be included in a missile count as they were not under NATO firing orders were "ridiculous".

The Soviet Union, he stressed, wanted "detente, a lasting peace and disarmament". And he warned Washington that if it applied NATO policies, it would be taking on a grave responsibility".

Observers bere felt Moscow was stepping up pressure on the United States at a time when Ronald Reagan's administration seemed to be trying to define "an intermediary solution" in order to reach a compromise

was only playing for more influence over pol-

It appeared certain that Strauss had not

been offered the post which be has long

coveted - the Foreign Ministry portfolio of

Thursday's talks that he was "pretty sure"

Kohl had not offered his job to the Bavarian

leader. But analysts said Strauss, who fought

Genscher said in a radio interview before

FDP leader Hans-Dietrich Genscher.

Coalition talks on

Kohl offers post to Strauss

BONN, March 17 (Agencies) — West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl began talks Thursday on a new coalition between his conservatives and the Free Democrats (FDP) amid continued speculation on the future role of right-wing leader Franz Josef

Kohl, whose election triumph 11 days ago has been marred by an open power struggle over government jobs, offered a cabinet role to the controversial Bavarian Premier Wednesday but refused to say wh at nost he h proposed.

Strauss is demanding more power for his Christian Social Union (CSU), sister-party of the chancellor's Christian Democrats (CDU), which increased its vote in the March 6 poll while the FDP lost 19 of its 53 parliamentary seats.

Conservative newspapers speculated Thursday that he had been offered the Defense Ministry, currently held by Christian Democrat Manfred Woerner, perhaps with extra responsibility for arms control and intelligence services.

But there was no sign that the Bavarian leader would accept such an offer and some political analysts said they believed Strauss had already decided not to come to Bonn and Bonn's policy of detente with the Soviet bloc out the 1970s, had succe ing some of his foreign policy ideas on the chancellor Wednesday Meanwhile, coalition partners reached

early agreement Thursday on an austerity policy to revive the ailing economy without raising taxes, spokesmen said. The conservative Christian Democrats and

Christian Social Union said their pact with the liberal Free Democrats requires 40 billion marks (\$16.8 billion) to be saved over the next three years.

Specifics on spending cuts have not been ironed out, according to party general-secretaries Heiner Geissler of the Christian Democrats, Edmund Stoiber of the Christian Social Union and Impgard Adam-Schwaetzer of the Free Democrats.

Scientists propose U.S. lunar base

SPACE CENTER, Houston, March 17 (AP) - America could establish and benefit from a base on the moon by the year 2000, according to a group of scientists and engineers.

The scientists, attending the hunar and planetary science conference at Johnson Space Center on Wednesday, said that a permanently manned base on the moon dubbed "Little America II" - would provide an unmatched center for the production of solar energy, barvesting of rare metals and the continued exploration of the universe.

Hans Mark, the deputy, administrator for the U.S. space agency, NASA, said the exploration and development drive of man will demand that eventually the moon be colonized. Mark said that plans are being made to establish an orbiting earth station and that hardware is being manufactured for a rocket transportation system that would carry cargo to a geosynehronous orbit - 23,000 miles

(37,014 kms) above the earth. He said it would take only a small additional thrust to carry such a rocket on to lunar orbit. "I think that we will have a lunar base by the year 2000," he said. "And we will have the enabling technology (for such a base) in this decade." George Mueller, a former NASA official and now an aerospace executive, said the lunar surface would be an ideal place to build a buge solar power station that could supply the electricity for earth.

Mrs. Thatcher

OPEC jittery as pressure mounts on U.K. to cut price LONDON, March 17 (Agencies) - OPEC's hard-won agreement on oil prices came under

pressure Thursday as major oil companies renewed pressure on the British National Oil Corp. for another drop in the price of North Sea crude.

The Daily Telegraph reported that several oil companies were poised to seek a reduction of up to \$1 a barrel on the state-owned corporation's present proposed price of \$30.50 a barrel. Oil companies say North Sea oil at \$30.50 a barrel is uncompetitive against Nigerian oil, now priced at \$30, and against the basic price of \$29 for oil agreed by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries here Monday.

Oil ministers of the 13-nation OPEC reached agreement on the \$29 figure only after 12 days of hard wrangling amongst themselves. Britain, which does not belong to OPEC, is currently the world's fifth largest oil produces and worries about a fall in North Sea prices hit the British pound Wednesday night. It closed at

The Daily Telegraph said some reports in oil circles predicted that North Sez oil could fall as low as \$25 a barrel. The Petroleum Intelligence Weekly in London said Wednesday that OPEC pro-

ducers "might swallow" a \$30 price for North Sea crude. But the Weekly said "all bell would break out" if the oil companies forced BNOC to cut more than that and thereby pushed

OPEC into a free-for-all oil war. During the marathan OPEC parleys in London last week, it was reported that Mrs. Thatcher's government had been pressured

into accepting a nominal ceiling on production. However, analysts say this will be on no avail if Britain agrees to a price cut. Meanwhile, Kuwaiti Oil Minister Sbeikh Ali Khalifa Al Sabah said Wednesday OPEC's new London agreement will not make

the Gulf producers into "swing" producers.

Sheikh Khalifa commented "not meeting your quota does not make you into a swing producer. OPEC countries are not forced to reach these quotas — this is only a ceiling for each Oil industry circles in the Gulf region believed it was unlikely that Kuwait and Qatar would

be able to meet their newly awarded quotas. In Abu Dhabi, Western oilmen were saying that with the second quarter drawing near, even Abu Dhabi could face pressure from buyers, despite the fact that its oil is of the highest quality in the Gulf.
But the Kuwaiti minister said that any country which was unable to meet their quota in any

given quarter, would not be able to make up the difference in the following quarter. Kuwait's new price would be \$27.30 per barrel, the minister confirmed. There was no decision however as to when the new prices would be applicable.

In Qatar, local oil officials were still waiting to be informed of the new level of prices. In the last month, Qatar's production went down to a record low of just 200,000 barrels daily, down from a January average of around 260,000 barrels daily. Oatar's new quota is 300,000 barrels

In Baghdad, Iraqi Oil Minister Qassem Ahmed Taqi was quoted Wednesday as saying that OPEC, Mexico and North Sea oil producers had an understanding on the need to stabilize the international market.

The semi-official Baghdad daily Al - Junthouriyah quoted Taqi as telling its correspondent in London that no formal agreement had been reached among the OPEC and non-OPEC producers on market stabilization, but contacts bad taken place.

"I can say there is an understanding in the viewpoints of OPEC and Mexico and the producers in the North Sea," he said.

Meanwhile, Iranian Prime Minister Hussein Musavi was quoted by the official Iranian news agency IRNA Wednesday as reiterating his government's objection to the decision by other OPEC members to lower the price of oil. "The Iranian delegation had not signed what was approved by other OPEC members," IRNA quoted him as saying in Tehran following a cabinet meet-

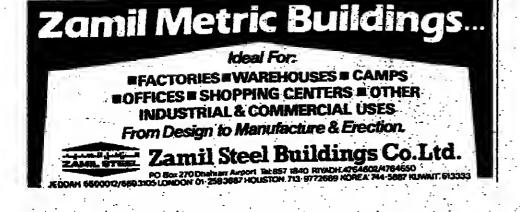
IRNA quoted Musavi as adding that the price cut decided by an OPEC ministerial conference in London Monday would "be dis-

advantageous for oil producing countries, instead large oil companies and cartels would benefit." The international trade minister of the Canadian province of Alberta was quoted Wednes

day as urging OPEC to keep its prices over \$25 per barrel in order to give Alberta's tar sands reserves a chance of survival. "We will be grateful if the OPEC producers manage to keep the price above that (\$25) level, which is the cost for extracting one barrel of oil from Alberta's vast tar sands reserves," Horst

Schmidt was quoted as telling Dubai businessmen. The visiting Canadian minister was also quoted by the English-language daily Khaleej Times

as saying Alberta was already producing 200,000 barrels daily of oil from sands, in addition to another 800,000 barrels and six billion cubic feet of gas daily from conventional sources.





method is produced at one/tenth of normal cost.

Kingdom's policy aimed at Arab unity--Yamani

Rescue operation mounted

Floods isolate Riyadh areas

Kingdom's policy is aimed at bolstering Arab solidarity, Information Minister Dr. Muhammad Abdo Yamani was quoted as saying in an interview published Thursday, Dr. Yamani told Al-Madinah that the recent meeting between Moroccan King Hassan and Algerian President Chedli Benjedid was a good step toward resolving all Arab peripheral differences.

"King Fahd is ready to take part, personally or through envoys, in any talks or negotiations aimed at healing Arab rifts and clearing the Arah atmosphere," Dr. Yamani said.

Commenting on the Kingdom's oil policy, he said it was "very sound and is not hased on the principles of profit or loss." "It is a big responsibility, yet the Kingdom has remained committed to this pol-

icy," the minister added. Dr. Yamani urged members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) to bonor their commilments and warned against violating the recently concluded agreement. "Any violation of the current accord will lead to chaos in the oil market and harm both the oil producing and importing states." he

said. Referring to the Middle East question,

By A Staff Writer

RIYADH, March 17 — The fate of the

15 000 inhabitants of Al-Dolom remained

unknown Wednesday afternoon after torren-

tial rains flooded the village's hrick and clay houses. Riyadh Governor Prince Salman was

to tour the area early Thursday morning with

his deputy, Prince Sattam, King Fahd is

reported to be closely following the situation.

ped Wednesday morning, particularly in Al-Kharj, Al-Hawta, Al-Hareeq, Al-

Sulayyel, Al-Dolom, and other areas. It was

so intense that it wiped out roads leading

from one village to another. King Fahd

immediately ordered the Ministries of

Interior, Defense and Aviation, and Finance

and National Economy and the Civil Defense

Department to mobilize all their potentials

A Civil Defense Department spokesman

said, however, that unusually thick fog during

the rainfall forced the men to halt their opera-

tions. They were giving directions to inhabit-

ants of the isolated areas by microphones and

loudspeakers. Prince Sultan, the second

deputy premier and minister of defense and

aviation, gave instructions that all the neces-

for the rescue operation.

The rain began Tuesday evening and stop-

Liberation Organization (PLO) by the U.S. administration was necessary for both parties to enable the administration to realize its desire of resolving the Palestine question.

Dr. Yamani said the recognition would also help in preserving U.S. interests in the Middle East and demonstrating American desire and good intentions for peace in the Middle East.

Referring to the Iran-Iraq war, he said the war which entered its third year has become "illogical", especially after Iraq had repeatedly expressed readiness to pull back its forces to the international borders and agreed to settle the conflict through

peaceful negotiations. Turning to domestic issues Dr. Yamani described the Saudi Arabian people as 'clever and ambitious." "Saudis do not miss a single chance to serve their homeland and actively participate in industrial and agricultural projects in the country,"

Yamani noted the warm and "unimaginable welcome" accorded to King Fahd wherever he went in the Kingdom. "The King is very keen to meet his people everywhere and whenever it is possible," he said.

sary military equipment be rushed to the

inundated area and be used in rescue and

relief efforts. Crown Prince Abdullah, the

first deputy premier and commander of the

National Guard, is also constantly in touch

A Riyadh governorate statement Wednes-

day evening said that the authorities have

managed to supply tents, blankets and food

supplies to the victims. It added that only two

persons died in the deluge and some very old

committee to assess the damage more

thoroughly and propose a host of measures to

avoid such catastrophes in the future. The

Committee is made up of Communications

Undersecretary Dr. Nasser Al-Salloum;

Abdul Rahman Al-Hammad, assistant

deputy governor of Riyadh; and Ahmad

Al-Mishaal, director general of the municipal

Prince Salman ordered the immediate

formation of medical and relief teams to look

after the isolated people. The teams include

representatives of the Saudi Royal Air Force,

the Civil Defense, the Police, the Traffic

Department, electricity companies and vol-

and rural affairs of Riyadh Province.

unteers from the areas.

King Fahd also has established a special

with the operation center.

mud houses were destroyed.

show draws 120 companies

Ideal home

By Suresh Shah Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, March 17 - More than 40,000 visitors are expected to visit the Second Ideal Home and Consumer Goods Exhibition which opened here Thursday evening at the Jeddah Expo Center. It will remain open until March 26, with more than 120 different companies displaying a variety of items.

After the spectacular success of its last year's effort, Al-Harithy Company organized this second exhibition, one of the largest and most imaginative shows of consumer, luxury and leisure products, according to Nadim Barrage, exhibition manager.

"There are 20 participants from Thailand and two exporters from Pakistan exhibiting their products," Barrage said. "The show helps manufacturers introduce new products to a large group of consumers at a marginal cost. At the same time the consumer has the opportunity to compare many products displayed under one roof."

The products on display include electrical appliances, audio and hi-fi equipment, furniture, gift items, carpets, rugs, electronic goods, clothing, textiles, kitchen equipment, food, soft drinks, garden and landscaping products, jewelry, watches, leisure and sporting goods, toys, and cosmetics.

BRIEFS

Cleanliness Week

DAMMAM (SPA) — Eastern Province Governor Prince Abdul Mohsin ihn Jiluwi will patronize the "Cleanliness Week" scheduled to be organized by the Dammam Municipality on April 9. The mayor of Dammam Municipality, Zayed Fahad Al-Sikeen. said that a number of booklets will be distributed during the week calling on citizens and foreigners alike to strictly observe cleanliness and public health and adopt ideal ways for destroying and minimizing garbage.

Qatari minister JEDDAH (SPA) - Qatari Education Minister Sheikh Muhammad ibn Hamad Al-Thani visited King Abdul Aziz University here Thursday. He reviewed with Dr. Abdullah Nassif, the university rector, ways of developing cooperation between the university and Qatari educational institutions.

Defense aide in Najran NAJRAN (SPA) - Deputy Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Abdul-Rahman ibn Abdul-Mohsen has arrived here in the context of a tour of the Southern Province. He inspected Najran's Military Command and visited the city's military hospital.



KENYAN MISSION: Some of the members of the Kenyan trade delegation which arrived here Tuesday night, from left to right, Josphat Mwai Karani of Mvita General Merchants Ltd.; Abdullah Zubedi, of Mwangi Coffee Exporters and organizing secretary of the 16-member delegation; Harun Omwenga, chairman of the import-export committee of the Kenya National Chamber of Commerce and Industry and secretary of the delegation; George Ochwangi Kaosa of Majengo Timber Suppliers, Mombasa; Charles K. Mwaniki, Kenyan Embassy first secretary (commercial); Renaldo Ratief, of H & R Ratief Ltd.; and Njoroge Gicheha, general manager of Muranga Thyser Co.

Kenyan business delegation seeking to promote exports

Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, March 17 - Kenyan businessmen are here to launch their country's hig export drive with a view to exploiting the ever-growing potential of the Kingdom's market in certain new products apart from boosting their traditional items.

Harun O. Omwenga, chairman of the import-export committee of the Kenya National Chamber of Commerce and Industry and secretary of the 16-member trade mission which arrived here Tuesday night, said that although close relations have existed between the two countries for a long time, it is only now that a mission of such magnitude is venturing into the Kingdom to "re-establish" its reputation as an exporting country.

During our stay here until Friday night we'll be doing our best to contact many local importers, businessmen and dealers, apart from the Jeddah Chamber of Commerce, to

SIDF approves loans

RIYADH, March 17 (SPA) - The Saudi Industrial Development Fund (SIDF) has approved loans amounting to SR49.6 million. for ten industrial projects in the Kingdom.

The decision to approve the loans was taken at the fund's board of directors meeting held here Tuesday night under the chairmanship of the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency (SAMA) deputy governor and the fund's chairman, Hamad Al-Siar.

Friday

Fajr (Dawn)

Isha (Night)

Dhuhr (Noon)

Assr (Afternoon)

Maghreh (Sunset).

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impress on them the quality of products that we wish to market," Benaldo Murray Retief, a mission member and head of the H & R Ratief Ltd. which deals in foodstuffs, said.

Coffee, tea, timber, gem stones, textiles, cement, horticultural items, meat and farm items, fresh and dried fruits and vegetables. canned foodstuffs, sisal products, handicrafts, shipping service, hides and skin, and tourism are the products and fields that the members of the delegation, led by Gasper Lwanguwa Walele, chairman of the Kenya National Chamber's Mombasa branch, are trying to promote here.

Omwenga said the Kenya External Trade Authority (KETA) had earlier conducted a study of the export potential that exists for Kenyan products and the current mission is a follow-up of the "encouragement given by the study." He said his country, which has a population of 16 million, has been striving hard for tourist promotion since it is endowed with rich flora and fauna.

We know we are returning to the Saudi Arabian market late," Omwenga said, "We also know that the market is being taken over by other countries. But, we are confident of promoting our products to the satisfaction of the market here which is still a buyer's mar-

The Jeddah Chamber of Commerce held a meeting with the delegation Thursday and the visitors are expected to discuss and finalize negotiations with local businessmen hefore their return to Mombasa early on Saturday morning.

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RIYADH, March 17 — A six-day seminar on "automation in office" sponsored by the Saudi Arabian Chambers' Council at the headquarters of the Riyach Chamber of Commerce and Industry concluded Thursday. The seminar, attended by 45 staff members from various business institutions, was designed to give a broad awareness of the office equipment, especially computers, and how these machines can increase efficiency, according to Muhammad Amin Lotfi of the Management Information System Division, Phoenix Corporation of the USA who was one of the faculty members at the seminar.

The most important thing in decisionmaking is to get information when you need it, he told And News. "Unless you have full information, decisions will not be 100 percent. right. These modern machines can store and retrieve information for right decisions. But this requires trained people and proper pro-cedures," he said.

"In this seminar we have focused attention on these three aspects of office automation people, procedure and technology," added. The seminar discussed during the six days recruitment and evaluation of personnel, different procedures and how to analyze them and the evolution of office equipment

An exhibition of office equiment with all modern machines such as word processor. automatic filing system, desk top computer, programmed pocket computer, facsimili was arranged to give a proper idea of the office automation systems to the participants.

GCC aviation aides demand more flights

ABU DHABI, March 17 (WAM) - Civil aviation officials and heads of national airways companies in the Arab Gulf Cooperation Council member states recommended atthe end of their meetings in Muscat the increase of flights among the Gulf cities and the rescheduling of the current flights to facilitate the free movement of Gulf people in

They also recommended the setting up of a committee to prepare a study on freight fares and reactivate the project of a freight company to meet the increased volume of imports and exports of Gulf states with Europe, the U.S. and the Far East.

The conference also called for further cooperation among the three companies. owned by the GCC states including the Kuwaiti, Saudi and the Gulf Air.

The conference said that a meeting will be held shortly in Kuwait to revise transportation concessions for foreign airlines' bilateral agreements and coordination to face the new he taken against the GCC airline companies affecting their interests.

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Israeli attack on Syrian SAMs imminent -- Khalaf

KUWAIT, March 17 (AP) - A Palestine Liberation Organization top official warned about an "imminent" Israeli attack on Syrian anti-aircraft missile batteries in eastern

Salah Khalaf, known as Abu Iyad, told the English-language newspaper Kuwait Times that the "Soviet Union and the PLO forces will be involved "in any attack by the Israelis on Syrian forces.

Syria, which seot army into Lebanoo in the summer of 1976, has maintained batteries of Soviet-made SAM-5 missiles in eastern Lebanon's Bekaa Valley.

Ahn Iyad is second to Yasser Arafat in the leadership of the Fatah organization.

"The Israelis regard the SAM-5 missiles as a strategic danger to their security," said Khalaf. "But the Israelis cannot discount the possibility of Soviet intervention if they attack this time."

The Soviets, be said, feel that the Israelis "hope through their attack on Syria to discredit the image and reputation of the Soviet Union in the Middle East."

Khalaf implied that the purported Israeli attack would take place sometime this spring. "The attack would be preceded by Israeli concessions in Lehanon, in return for the greenlight from the United States to allow the Israelis to attack Syria," he contended.

He claimed that the Israeli invasion of Lehanoo last June was "an American deci-

Israeli willingness to beed U.S. behesis and evacuate their invasion forces from Lebanon.

Khalaf conceded there have been "differences in views' between the PLO and the Syrian regime of President Hafez Assad. "But there has been military coordination between Syria and the PLO," he told the paper. "This coordination is vital, because the Palestinian commandos in the Bekaa Valley and northern Lebanon are neighbors to Syria. Supplies to our forces in Lehanon come from Syria. Any confrontation between Syria and the Israelis will definitely involve

Khalaf added that efforts were imderway to arrange a rapprochement meeting bet-weeo Arafat and Assad.

In another development, Syrian newspapers Thursday gave front-page coverage to a visit to Damascus by former U.S. Presideot Jimmy Carter, a man they have denounced countless times for sponsoring the 1979 peace treaty between Egypt and Israel.

The oewspaper of the ruling Baath Party, Al-Baath, coupled its report with an editorial accusing the current U.S. administration of planning to let Israel attack Syria "to impose a surrender settlement on all Arah parties."

This has been a frequent theme of Damas-cus editorials since both Israel and the United States expressed concern at the deployment

PLO and "moderate the PLO and try to con-

Japan made public this policy in 1981 when

The official said Foreign Minister Shintaro

Ahe invited Fathi Abdol Hamid, head of the

PLO's Tokyo office, and some 20 Arab dip-

lomats to a meeting later this month. Press

reports said the invitation to Hamid, who has not been granted diplomatic status, signalled

a policy shift, but the official said it followed

On ties with Israel, the official said "we

haven't encouraged anything that might lead

"traditional policy of the past years."

Arafat, in his first meeting with the leader of a major pro-Western nation, held talks with

vince it to coter peace negotiations."

then Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki.

of SAM missiles in Syria. Japan to cement PLO links

TOKYO, March 17 (AP) - Japanese leaders, seeking strooger ties with "moder-ates" in the Palestine Liberation Organization, may meet PLO representatives attending a tribunal on the Istaeli invasion of Lehanon, a Foreign Ministry official said Thursday.
"We are very much interested in talking

about the receot changes in the Middle East," said the senior official in the ministry's Middle East divisioo who asked not to he oamed. "We are open minded oo the matter of the

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PLO," he said. "If they send a very high official, it might be imperative for us to meet the head of the delegation,"

A tribunal organizer said about "seven or eight" PLO members, including Fathi Arafat, Red Crescent Society president and brother of PLO Chief yasser Arafat, will attend the tribunal that begins Friday.

The official said Japan wants to encourage moderate forces to gain a higger voice in the

New plan to end Gulf war mooted

PARIS, March 17 (R) - Members of the Paris-based Iranian National Council of Resistance (NCR) announced a seven-point plan for ending the two-and-a-half year war between Iran and Iraq.

A spokesman for the council, which groups various Iranian exile organizations and personalities, incloding former President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr and People's Mujabedeen chief Massoud Rajavi, said the plan had been put to the United Nations, the nonaligned states, the Iraqi government and the Organization of Islamic Conference.

He said it followed six months of meeting between members of the council and one in January hetween Rajavi and Tarcq Aziz, the Iraqi vice premier.

The plan calls for an immediate ceasefire,

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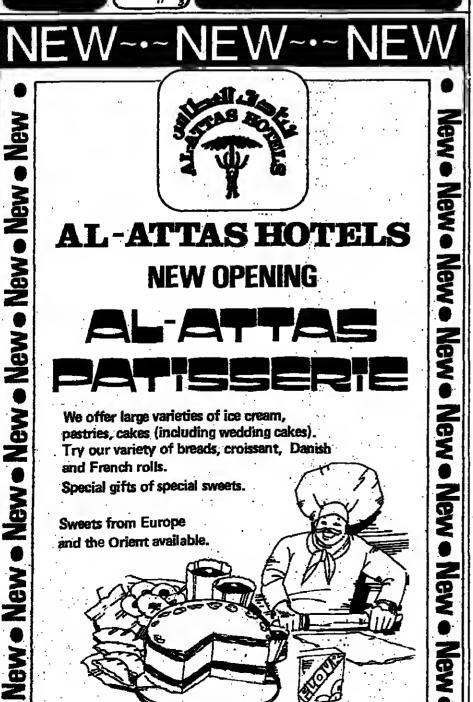
to better relations. Dealing with Israel has been a problem ever since the invasion of Lebanon," and relations have been oo a "correct" level, he said. the setting up of a supervisory committee headed by the U.N. secretary-general or a mutually acceptable body, a withdrawal of forces to borders defined under the 1975 tre-

aty between the two countries, exchange of prisoners, the arbitration of damages by the International Court of Justice, guarantees of repatriation of refugees, and the drawing up of an indefinite peace treaty.

The spokesman said the council, the main opposition to Tehran's clerical leadership, wanted to bring the plan to the attention of the Iranian and Iraqi people. But he woold not say if it had been communicated to the

Tehran government. The council said it had decided to recognize the 1975 accord signed by Iran and Iraq





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ATTACK ON MARINES: Members of U.S. Marine patrol talk to reporters after their colleagues were injured in a grenade attack in Beirut on Wednesday.

Lebanese regret Marine incident

WASHINGTON, March 17 (AP) -Two leading Lebanese diplomats expressed deep regret over an attack on a U.S. Marine patrol in Lebanon, a U.S. official

The official commented after Lebanese Foreign Minister Elie Salem and former Prime Minister Saeh Salam met with President Ronald Reagan and Vice President George Bush to discuss negotiations on the removal of foreign forces from their

Gunmeo amhushed and wounded eight Italian soldiers, five members of a U.S. Marine patrol were wounded wheo a grenade was hurled at them and two Israeli officers were killed by a land mine in a series of attacks in around Beirut.

The Marines suffered superficial shrapnel wounds Wednesday in the arms and legs, but two of the Italians were paralyzed and one lost a foot.

The attacks were the first against the U.S. and Italian troops since they deployed in Beirut six mooths ago, and Italian Ambassador Franco Ottieri said they were part of an "organized plot" to drive the multinational force out of Leba-

Both attacks took place in predomin-

antly Shiite Muslim areas, and Lebanese

radio reports said about 350 suspects were arrested. The Israeli military command in Tel Aviv said an Israeli major and a captain were killed wheo their vehicle hit a mine

Meanwhile, Italian troops fired a car on Beirut International Airport highway early Thursday, wounding two Lehanese

motorists, the state radio here reported.

The broadcast said the Italians opened fire "when their suspicions were aroused by a car moviog past their operation zone along the airport highway.

"The driver of the car was wounded along with another motorist in a second car," the radio quoted an unnamed Lebanese police spokesman as saying. "The two wounded drivers were takeo to hospital by intervening Lehanese security

In southern Lehanou, Israeli troops fired rifles at about 1,000 Palestinians protesting deteotion of relatives at the Ansar prison camp, wounding one woman in the leg, witnesses said. Another was overcome by smoke and two others hurt themselves falling, they said,

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MADRID (AFP) - A small bomb exploded harmlessly outside the Libyan diplomatic mission here Wednesday night. The bomb was left just under the closed circuit security camera about 20 meters from the entrance to the building.

ABU DHABI (R) — Former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations Andrew Young

was quoted Thursday as saying that Washingtoo had unknowingly given Israel signals to launch its invasion of Lebanon last summer. In an interview with the daily newspaper Al -laihad, Young said, "the U.S. mentality is one of demonstrating power... This unknowingly led to Washington sending signals to Israel that it wanted to achieve its

aims by using power," he said.

WASHINGTON (AFP) — Jordan is still unwilling to join Arab-Israeli peace negotiations because its cooditions have not been met by the United States or Palestinians, Jordan's information minister said in an inter-

view published here Thursday.

ANKARA (R) — A Libyan cargo airplane crashed in a sandstorm near Tripoli Monday killing all five crew aboard, Turkish state radio reported Wednesday. Two Turks, pilot Aydin Tekkoc and flight engineer Yalcin Altin, were among the dead. The others were two Libyans and one Britoo but the radio did

MANILA (AP) - Army soldiers killed at

least 20 Muslim commandos in a 30-minute hattle in the southern Philippines this week, the official Philippine News Agency reported Thursday. PNA said the clash occurred Tuesday in Sultan Kudarat province, 896 kilometers southeast of Manila.

BEIRUT (R) - Turkish Foreign Minister Ilter Turkmen paid a surprise visit here Thursday apparently to lobby Lebanese Presideot Amin Gemayel over attacks on Turkish diplomats by Beirut-based Armenian guerril-

Turkmen met President Gemayel for one hour and then left for home, telling reporters he had delivered a message from Turkish head of state Gen. Kenan Evren.

LONDON (R) — Libya has decided to hunt down exiled nationals who are hostile to Muammar Qaddafi's government, the Libyan Embassy in London said Thursday. The People's Congress, metring in the Libyan capital Tripoli from Feb. 12 to 17, decided to form a committee to fix a deadline for the return of exiles and ensure their repeotance as enemies of the government, the embassy said in a statement.

MOSCOW (R) - Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Tikhonov and his Libyan counterpart Abdul Salam Jalloud Thursday held a second round of talks and agreed their countries should coordinate international moves, the official news agency Tass reported.

Probe panel told 12,000 Afghans tortured to death in three years

OSLO, March 17 (Agencies) - A former Afghan law professor has told a multi-party committee of inquiry here that about 12,000 persons were tortured to death in Afghanistan after the Soviet intervention in December

Ayyouh Assil told the inquiry he had been present as a secretary during a number of police interrogations at the Ministry of Domestic Affairs in Kabul until he defected last October. He said children had been raped and tortured in front of their parents.

Four other witnesses told the hearing, organized by representatives of all Norway's political parties except the Communists, that people had been buried alive, had their eyes pierced and been murdered in mass execu-

Witnesses accused Soviet occupation forces of using chemical weapons against resistance forces. Two Afghan resistance leaders told the hearing that during an attack in the Panisher valley last September, the Soviets used bombs that ejected small boxes oo impact, emitting "a thick bluish smoke. causing nausea and dizziness."

Afterwards, Soviet troops advanced wearing greeo protective gear and gas masks, which were presented to the panel presiding the hearing. "My soldiers thought the Russians were using some sort of camouflage uniform until I told them what the masks really meaot," Abdul Wahid said. Wahid, 28, was a paratrooper in the regular army until he defected. "The real crime of the Soviets", he said, "is that they are killing civilians."

The inquiry was organized to throw light on eveots since the government of President

Arab peace team due in U.K. today

LONDON, March 17 (Agencies) — Britain, io an appareot partial climb-down, has agreed to host an Arah League delegation including a man with close ties to the Palestioe Liberatioo Organization.

British officials announced that the delega-tion, includiog a "representative of the Pales-tinian people," will meet Friday with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and will call on Oueen Elizaheth II at Buckiogham Palace. Several previously scheduled visits by the delegation were canceled by Britain because

the Arah states insisted that a PLO representative he included. Britain has long rejected any high-level official contact with the PLO until it formally

recognizes Israel's right to exist. The Palestinian in Friday's delegation is Walid Khalidi, whom the Arah League information office in London identified as a member of the Palestine National Council, which has a voice in naming PLO officials, including its Chairman Yasser Arafat,

Khalidi is a noted academic, professor of political science at American University in Beirut, and a gradoate of the university of Loodon and Oxford. He has also taught at Oxford and Harvard and written a number of books including "Conflict and Violence in

Lebanon" about the Lehanese Civil War of ing process can begin." Israel's expulsion from ILO sought AMMAN, March 17 (R) - Arab states

have taken a first step at a meeting here toward seeking the expulsion of Israel from the International Labor Organization (ILO). a Palestine Liberatioo Organization (PLO) representatives said.

He said a committee would draft the resolution to he submitted to the Arah Labor Organization's board of directors at its next meeting in the second half of April.

Babrak Karmal came to power in Afghanistan. Western diplomats estimate there are now some I 00,000 Soviet troops in the South Asian country.

The panel also heard testimony from Assiruddin, a former professor in economics at Kahul University. He said he was jailed and tortured shortly after the Soviet intervention and that those in charge of the torture were Russians and East Germans.

Sudan, S. Korea improve relations

SEOUL, March 17 (R) - Sudan and South Korea have agreed to establish a joint ministerial commission to develop economic. technical and cultural cooperation between them, a communique said Thursday.

The commission would meet alternately in the two countries, said the communique issued by President Jaafar Numeiri of Sudan and President Chun Doo Hwan of South

The communique said Sudan and South Korea should cooperate in rural, agricultural and industrial development and increase joiot ventures in construction and manufacturing. The Seoul government was ready to establish a vocational training center in Sudan, it said.

President Numeiri pledged his government's continued support for Seoul's policy for peacefully reunifying the Korean peninsula through such means as simultaneous eotry of both Koreas to the United Nations, it

The Arah League described Khalidi as heing very close to the PLO, but technically not a PLO official, Pressed on his connection with the PLO, a

British Foreign Office spokesman said: "We regard him as a representative of the Palestioian people."
The delegation will be led by King Hussein of Jordao and includes foreign ministers or

other officials from Saudi Arabia, Algeria, Tunisia, Morocco, Syria and the Arab League. It was to have been headed by King Hassan of Morocco, but he is apparently indisposed.

The purpose of the oft-postponed visit is to report to the British on the Arah League summit in Fez, Morocco, last September at which Mideast peace efforts were discussed. The British government is expected to push for the Palestine Liberation Organiza-

tion's recognition of Israel when the delegation arrives here, observers said. A British official told AFP that the PLO

would he in a stronger position" if it recog-

nized Israel's right to a state.
He added: "The evects of the next weeks are extremelyimportant in the context of the

Middle East and whether or not a peacemak-

An Arab labor conference which ended an 11-day meeting Wednesday endorsed a PLO resolution cootaining the demand, PLO labor specialist Abdul Rahim Ahmad told Reuters.

Once approved by the board, the five-

point resolution would be passed to member states who would contact friendly countries to try to have it passed at the next ILO session io Geneva in June, Ahmad said.

As well as demanding Israel's expulsion, the draft calls on the Geneva-based ILO, a United Nations specialized agency, to cease all technical and financial assistance to Israel. It also proposes to set up at ILO headquarters a day of solidarity with the Palestinian people and workers in Israeli-occupied territories, along the lines of the exiting Apartheid Day. It condemns Israel and demands that it stop huilding settlements on occupied

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On leftist takeover threat in Central America

lexico rejects 'domino theory' tries and Mexico, De la Madrid said: "Mexico

MEXICO CITY, March 17 (AP) — President Miguel de la Madrid says he rejects the Reagan administration's so-called "domino theory" on the threat of a leftist takeover in Central America and claims that, in any case. it will not affect Mexico.

He also claims Mexico's severe economic problems will not cause political instability or lay open to threats by leftist forces. Speaking to a group of American publishers visiting here, De la Madrid said Tuesday that Mexico is "concerned by the political tension and violence in Central America."

But he said his administration opposes a

military solution, especially in Nicaragua and El Salvador.

"Mexico insists on negotiated agreements between countries and within countries," he said and repeated a long-standing offer by Mexico to mediate in the region's conflicts. He said his administration would be pleased to cooperate "in any action aimed at these objectives."

lation by officials of U.S. President Ronald Reagan's administration that a leftist takeover in El Salvador would eventually

He also took issue with the claims of Com-

munist countries which, he said, attempt to

portray the United States as a status quo

power intent on seeking "weak, unstable

neighbors that we can dominate and exploit."

"We are, in fact, allied with progressive

forces working for economic development,

reform and democracy. We seek not weak

exploitable neighbors but ones that are

an additional \$110 millioo in security assis-

tance for El Salvador, of which \$60 million

would involve transferring military aid now

The subcommittee has veto power over the

\$60 millioo installment, In his prepared

remarks. Shultz said the security situation,

"though not desperate, is not good and could

become desperate if we fail to help." He said

last week, the United States had 10 provide an

emergency airlift of "critically needed small

The administration has asked Congress for

strong, secure and iodependent,'

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arms ammunition."

'These assertions are lies." Shultz said.

Then, referring to "domino theory" specuspread to the other Central American coun-

Central America. The Reagan administration last year turned down an offer by De la Madrid's predecessor, President Jose Lopez Portillo, to mediate differences between the United States and Cuba and between the United States and Nicaragua's Sandinista regime.

is a very strong domino and will not be easily

He also said he was "pleased to see that

there has been some new understanding of

this situation in the United States govern-

De la Madrid took office Dec. I for a six-

year term in the middle of Mexico's worst

recession in half a century. However, foreign

observers here who asked not to be identified

claim there are indications Mexico is quietly

softening its opposition to U.S. policy over

ment." but did not elaborate.

toppled."

Similarly, the Reagan administration strongly criticized a joint Mexican-French statement in 1982 recognizing the leftist rebels fighting for power in El Salvador as a legitimate political force. More than 42,000 persons have been killed to that country's Civil War during the past 41 months.

Meanwhile, in Ottawa, Mexican Foreign Minister Bernardo Sepulveda Amor and his Canadian counterpart, Allan Maceachen, on Wednesday pinpointed economic and social inequality as the causes of the Central Americao conflicts, AFP reports.

"We do not agree with the American govemment that the troubles in the region are the result of the East-West conflict, even if the local economic situation lends itself to Cuban and Soviet intervention," a high Canadian official said after the one and a half hour meeting between the two foreign minis-

Maceachen told Sepulveda that Canada would lend its good offices to mediate the conflicts, the official added. Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau is scheduled to meet Sepulveda and extend an invitation to President De la Madrid to visit Canada.

Situation 'could become desperate'

sanitation and work."

Shultz urges Salvador aid Salvador of food, water, transportation, light,

WASHINGTON, March 17 (AP) - Secretary of State George P. Shultz said Wednesday the military situation in El Salvador was not good and "could become desperate" if Congress rejects President Ronald Reagan's requests for increased military assistance. Appearing before a House of Representa-

tives Appropriations Subcommittee, Shultz encountered some skepncism from legislators hut surprisingly little hostility as he appealed for support for the president's aid

The polite exchanges with committee members contrasted sharply with previous congressional appearances in which Shultz and other administration witnesses have found their Salvador policy subjected to vigorous challenge.

He departed from his otherwise low key approach only when discussing the Salvadoran guerrilla movement and what he said were their Soviet bloc supporters.

Shultz criticized the tactics of the Salvadoran insurgents, claiming their campaign of "rule or ruin is depriving the people of El

Groucho Ma 'x estate trial

SANTA MONICA, California, March 17 (Agencies) — The Groucho Marx estate trial went to the jury Wednesday with the judge telling jurors they must decide "without sympathy, prejudice or passion" whether Erin Fleming misused her influence to obtain a fortune from the late comedian.

The Bank of America sued Miss Fleming. claiming she misused her influence as Marx's caretaker and confidance to obtain \$428,000 in cash and gifts, including two bouses and a Mercedes Benz.

The bank wants that property returned to the estate and also seeks \$500,000 in punitive damages. Judge Jacqueline Weiss, after two months of testimony, told jurors that the bank must have proved that Miss Fleming received the fortune "by undue influence or

fraud or by breach of her fiduciary duties." The judge said the bank must prove Miss Fleming guilty of "malice. oppression and fraud' against the comic genius of film and television. The zany, cigar-chomping member of the Marx brothers died in 1977-at

Ms. Weiss told jurors that if they find in favor of the baok, they may award punitive damages" by way of example or punishment" against Miss Fleming in an amount they can

Summing up a seven-week hearing. Miss Fleming's lawyer said the actress has been subjected to a sadistic persecution built on smut and dirt.

Witnesses for the bank, including nurses to Marx, have told the Santa Monica Superior Court that 42-year-old Miss Flemiog screamed at him, pushed him and gave him

the jury of nine women and three men that his client had stood up to a sadistic persecution. based on smut and dirt, by the bank and its lawyer. J. Brin Schulman. He said no matter whether the bank or Marx's relatives believed Miss Fleming was rude, it was a rich

goes to jury

tranquilizers against bis will.

Miss Fleming's lawyer, David Sabih, told man's right to give as much as he wished.

Schulman told the court in his summing up Monday that Miss Fleming was a self-seeking opportunist who flaunted her charms before

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Gritz 'almost reached camp

LOS ANGELES, March 17 (R) - Retired U.S. Lt. Col. James (Bo) Gritz said he got to within a few kilometers of a possible camp for U.S. prisoners of the Victnam War in Lags. Col. Gritz, who returned to Los Angeles last Saturday after leading an unofficial search mission into Laos for U.S. prisoners, told a press conference that premature publicity by a former colleague might have alerted Laotian forces.

"When we arrived in the target area in central Laos recently we knew something was wrong because of an inordinate amount of enemy activity, including belicopters, trucks and

troop movements," he said, explaining why he turned back. The United States and Vietnam have both denounced Col. Gritz' foray into Lacs. Washington said it had no reason to doubt Hanoi's word that no U.S. servicemen were still held captive. But Col. Gritz, a much-decorated veteran of the Vietnam War with the U.S. Green Beret special forces, said local intelligence sources had identified two possible camps,

"One was in a remote location with less than five (possible prisoners). The other target was more accessible and had more than 10." he said. "We elected to pursue the second

target," he added.

Col. Gritz, who said he was accompanied by three other Americans and by local insurgents, added: "I decided to pull back bacause if there were no Americans there we would probably bave wasted a very courageous local organization. "Our ears' in Thailand had been removed and without any radio communication I would nor have hazarded to bring out Americans who might not have been able to move under their own power. We would have had to leave them behind."

Thai authorities bad seized a powerful radio set from a house used by Col. Gritz. Before he left Thailand, he and four U.S. associates were each given a one-year suspended jail sentence and a fine for illegal possession of the radio.

Col. Gritz said his operation, which lasted four months, had cost about \$200,000 raised from a variety of sources. Asked about reports that film star Clint Eastwood donated \$30,000, Col. Gritz replied: "I don't know any film stars. A donation of \$30,000 would be a drop m the bucket.'

Asked whether he would return to Laos, he said: "There is no question if I wanted to return there I could. I believe there are Americans there."

Convict demands prompt execution

Lt. Col James "Bo" Gritz

LOS ANGELES, March 17 (R) - The so-called "Sunset Strip Slayer," Dougla Clark, was ordered to die in the gas chamber. for murdering six young women - and promptly demanded to be executed within 10

Clark, a 34-year-old fatory worker, interrupted Judge Ricardo Torres as he outlined his reasons for passing the death sentence and called out: "Why don't you cut the ... and get on with the sentencing?" He later demanded:

"I want the execution within 10 days." A lawyer for Clark told reporters bis client would have to go through a lengthy appeal process. "Mr. Clark will probably be waiting for years to find out whether he will be executed," lawyer Keith Watson, said.

Clark was convicted io January of the murders of the six, ranging in age from 15 to 24, who frequented spots on a section of Sunset boulevard in Los Angeles known as Sunset Strip. He has maintained bis innocence but called on the jury during the trial to recommend the death sentence.

Another of Clark's lawyers, Maxwell Keith, had earlier asked the judge to spare Clark's life. "He is the sickest person I ever saw," Keith said. Prosecutor Robert Jorgensen drew laughter in the courtroom when he asked that Clark receive six consecutive death sentences.

Jorgensen explained that if any of the convictions were overturned, he wanted to ensure Clark could still be punished on the remaining counts. Carol Bundy, a 32-yearold nurse and former friend of Clark, will stand trial on April 18 on two murder charges in connection with the case. .

BRIEFS

UNITED NATIONS (AP) - The Sovict U.N. mission on New York's upper east side got 2,640 threatening or ahusive telephone calls in the first two months of this year, Ambassador Oleg A. Troyanovsky said in a letter issued here Wednesday. Troyanovsky said that every day it received "a large number of telephone calls with threats to blow up the mission building and with unprintable epithets." Trovanovsky's letter. addressed to the United States' U.N. mission. said American authorities "should immediately take effective measures for the cessation of such hooliganistic actions against the Soviet mission.

SEATTLE, Washington (AP) - An engine on a United Airlines 727 exploded on takeoff Wednesday at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, scattering engine pieces and closing the runway for about 45 minutes, a spokeswoman said. There were no injuries.

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) - Six would-be bank robbers and a passerby were shot to death during a gun battle with police here Wednesday, authorities reported. A seventh man identified as part of the robbery gaog was wounded. Police said the gang forced employees of a bank near the center of Caracas to turn over more than \$100,000 in robbery. But when they tried to flee they found police, tipped off during the robbery, were already closing in. The exchange of fire between the robbers and police took place a sbort distance away, police said. WASSENAAR, Netherlands (AP)—Paul

Citroen, one of the most renowned Dutch artists of the 20th century, and an early force in the Dadaist movement, has died, Dutch radio reported Wednesday. Citroen was 86. LONDON (AFP) — Seven Polish tourists Wednesday took advantage of their cruise ship's stopover and asked for political asylum here, Home Office sources said. Authorities said they were studying the requests for

HAMBURG, West Germany (AFP) -The conductor of the Weimar Opera Orchestra, Peter Guelke, has decided not to return to East Germany, friends of the musician said. Gueike, 48, was bere to conduct Mozart's fidelio, but his wife and daughter remained in East Germany.

BARCELONA, Spain (R) — Josep Lluis Sert, a leading architect who was associated with the artistic world of Pablo Picasso, died bere Tuesday night at the age of 80. A disciple of Le Corbusier, Sert sought exile in the United States after the 1936-39 Civil War in Spain and took up U.S. citizenship in 1951. He retired in 1969 as dean of the Harvard School of Design.
SALT LAKE CITY, Utah (AP) — Artifi-

cial beart recipient Barney Clark, off the respirator and breathing comfortably on his own, is making progress in his recovery from pneumonia, a hospital spokeswoman said

LONDON (R) - Britain's official opposition Labor Party has slipped into third place in voter support, according to an opinion poll published Wednesday. It puts the centrist Liberal-Social Democratic alliance in second place behind the ruling Conservatives.

U.K. sends back Roman

LONDON, March 17 (AP) - A man who fled Romania last year after serving nine years in prison for previous attempts to flee was denied asylum in Britain Wednesday and sent home, even though British officials ack-

nowledged he would probably go back to jail. Stand Babusoiu, 29, was put on an afternoon flight of the Romanian National Airline to Bucharest only hours after Home Secretary William Whitelaw ruled he did not qualify for asylum because he had broken Romanian law by leaving without official approval.

Conservative members of parliament expressed outrage at the decision. Sir Bernard Braine said he was "horrified."

Iancu Ratiu, chairman of the British-Romanian Association, a Romanian lobbying group, said the decision "will be seen as a kind of collusion between British authorities and the feared secret police of Romania."

Ratiu said be called Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's office at 10 Downing St.but was told by her personal secretary, Timothy Flesher, that she would not intervene. Babusion arrived in Britain in April of last year after slipping across the Romanian border into Yugoslavia and being smuggled by a

truck driver across Europe and into Britain. Upon arrival in London, he went to a local police station and attempted to apply for asylum. He spoke no English and after several tries to make bimself understood, succeeded, only to he jailed for entering Britain

After intervention by Braine and by Lord Hale of the opposition Labor Party. Babusiou was released Dec. 5 pending a Home Office decision on asylum.

In a letter to Braine, Home Office Undersecretary David Waddington said political asylum in Britain can only be granted to those whose lives are in danger for political, religious or racial reasons.

Waddington said Babusiou fit into none of these categories. He acknowledged the likelihood that the man would be imprisoned on his return but said this was because he'd broken Romanian laws by fleeing without an exit visa. Babusoiu's nine-vear jail sentence resulted from two previous attempts to flee.



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apanese economy grows 3%

TOKYO, March 17 (AP) — The Japanese economy overcame a sharp decline in the growth of exports to grow by three percent in 1982 as domestic consumption rose, according to government figures released Thursday.

Japan's gross national product for the year totaled \$856 billion at the current exchange rate, up from \$831 billion in 1981, the

Economic Planning Agency said. Exports, the traditional engine of Japanese economic growth, expanded by 3.3 percent for the year, down from jumps of 15.9 percent in 1981 and 18.8 percent in 1980, the

rose significantly from 0.5 percent in 1981 to 4.2 percent in 1982, according to the report. The three percent overall growth rate was

down from 3.8 percent for 1981, the report said. By comparison, the International Monetary Fund calculated various 1982 GNP changes as: United States, fell 1.8 percent, Canada, fell 4.9 percent, France, rose 1.4 percent, West Germany, fell 1.2 percent, Italy, rose 0.4 percent, and the United Kingdom, rose 0.6 percent.

Japan's official GNP figures are calculated

by the fiscal year, which ends March 31, and are not yet available. In fiscal 1981, Japan's GNP grew by 3.3 percent. The Japanese government has set a target of 3.1 percent growth for fiscal 1982, which was revised downward last fall from 5.4 percent.

Meanwhile, the decision at the beginning of the week by OPEC ministers to slash the benchmark price of oil by \$5 to \$29 a barrel is expected to provide an added boost to economic growth in Japan, which imports mora than 80 percent of its crude oil from OPEC member states.

Minister warns of intervention

Turks debate law to overhaul banking

ANKARA, March 17 (Agencies) - The Turkish government, which this week sacked the top management of two private banks, will intervene in other banks if the need arises, Finance Minister Adnan Baser Kafaoglu has said.

The Finance Ministry announced Wednesday that the executive boards of the middleranking Istanbul Bankasi and Hisarbank bad been dismissed and replaced by officials from the State Agriculture Bank as part of a shake-up of the troubled banking system. Officials said measures were also being pre-pared to intervene in the smaller ISCI Kredi Banksi.

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"When they (other banks) get into trouble, we won't hesitate to take similar action," Kafaoglu told the National Consultative Assembly appointed by Turkey's military

He was speaking in a debate on a draft law which if approved by the assembly will give the cabinet authority to alter, abolish or renew by decree most of the laws governing

GM-Toyota pact may hit snag

WASHINGTON, March 17 (AFP) - The recently-signed joint venture between General Motors (GM) of the United States and Toyota Motors of Japan to build compact cars in California could run foul of U.S. antitrust laws, a member of the Federal Trade Commission said here Wednesday.

The commissioner declined to be named, but a colleague, Patricia Bailey, told the Senate Trade Committee Wednesday that the commission was making an intensive review of the joint venture agreement to produce 200,000 compact cars annually, but could not yet comment on the legality of the

Meanwhile, a Chrysler Motors official, Robert Perkins, condemned the GM-Toyota agreement as disadvantageous to the United. States and a violation of the anti-trust laws. Perkins added at a conference at Michigan University that the joint venture was designed to appease Washington and reduce the repercussions of American imports of

the financial sector. Kafaogin has promised to overhall the banking system since it was plunged into crisis by the collapse last summer of Turkey's largest brokerage house, Banker Kastelli.

Kastelli and other brokers sold bank certificates of deposits and bonds in the absence of a proper capital market. They competed with Turkey's 40 retail banks for savers' deposits, sending interest rates for depositors over 50 percent and borrowers' rates as high as go percent.

When Kastelli crashed and most brokers went out of business, interest rates tumbled along with public confidence in the banking system and deposits of the banks fell away sharply. They have since staged a moderate recovery. Several banks now bave severe cash flow problems compounded by the ina-bility of many industrial borrowers to pay back their dues, banking sources said.

Kafaoglu said be wanted to intervene in Istanbul Bankasi and Hisarbank, now under the administration of the Agriculture Bank but still trading, six months ago but present laws did not allow him to do so without giving them a half-year warning.

He said the state had to have the anthority to step in quicker and create an atmosphere in which depositers felt their saving were secured. The assembly is expected to vote on the draft law by the end of this week.

The question facing the Turks is what they will do if they have a little money stashed away and wants to see it grow?

Choices are limited. There is no stock market to speak of. Bank interest rates barely stay above the rate of inflation. And trust in banks is severely being tested.

Traditionally, Turks place their money on real estate or gold. But, the other side of the coin is an economy bungry for capital and Turkish economic planners dread that the funds of the small savers will once again end up in these non-productive investments.

Turkey's January 1980 economic recovery program, considered a great success story by erts at home and abroad, wold have produced even more impressive results if it were not for the weakness of the financial sector. banks, economists ing system did not have the capacity to sup-port the recovery program," declared Erol

Manisali, professor of economics at the University of Istanbul. "The banking system must be changed from A to Z" according to another prominent economist, Gungor Uras.

What is wrong with the banks?
Frist, most of Turkey's 23 private banks are subsidiaries of big industrial and commercial holdings. They lead to their own umbrella companies, whether ventures are profitable or not.

Some kind of anti-trust law is necessary to break up these bolding banks," suggests Erdogan Alkin of Istanbul University Banking Institute. There are few specialty banks, no inter-bank market, few funds in bank portfolios, such as government bonds and stocks, other than deposits and no outside auditors. The capital of the banks is not large enough in proportion to their volume of business, exports explain.

Balance sheets, prepared by the banks' own auditors alone, seldom represent the actual financial position of a bank, reporting profits when in fact losses bave been suffered in a given year, says one expert. The banks are also overstaffed and have too many branches, at the last count 6,000 throughout Turkey, "They are prestige conscious. They are in trouble because they sacrifice profits to prestige," commented a Western banker. He added that if more foreign banks, with their edge in efficiency, entered the Turkish market, "the domestic banks would go crackers."

CARACAS, March 17 (R) - Venezuela,

already preparing to renegotiate some \$15

billion in foreign debt this year, faces a desp-

erate cash shortage as a result of this week's

Its currency, the bolivar, has lost half its

value on the free market in the past two weeks, inflation is expected to double this

year and multinational investors, seeing little

chance of profit, are preparing to pull out.

Despite promised budget economies, bank-

ers and economists say the government has

little choice but to turn to the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and foreign banks to

The 15 percent price cut by the Organiza-

tion of Petroleum Exporting Countries

(OPEC), of which Venezuela is a member,

tide it over at least until 1984.

OPEC oil price cut.

New tenders called for Ataturk Dam

ANKARA. March 17 (R) - Turkey Thursday revised a decision on the selection of a contract for the \$1 billion Ataturk Dam in southern Turkey after protests from Turkish contractors originally disqualified from the bid.

Some 20 Turkish firms had protested to the government that qualification for the tender had not been carried out fairly, industry officials said. Last month, seven consortia were shortlisted from a list of 22 to make final tenders for the Ataturk Dam contract, which is part of a \$2 billion hydro-electric and irrigation project near the Syrian border.

A government decree published in the official gazette Thursday said new bids would be considered from companies excluded from the list of seven although it stipulated they should make joint bids. They were given until May 2 to submit their bids.

Egypt cuts oil prices

CAIRO, March 17 (R) - Egypt lowered its oil price Thursday bringing the key Suez blend down by \$2 to \$27 a barrel, the Egyptian General Petroleum Corporation

The drop followed the \$5 cut earlier this week by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) whose benchmark price fell to \$29. The \$27 Egyptian rate is for 30 days delivery. For 60 days delivery, the price was set at \$27.25. Egypt, not a member of OPEC, normally keeps its prices below the benchmark level

Prices of Egypt's lower grade oils also were reduced. The Belayin blend fell from \$27 to \$25.25 a barrel for 60 days delivery and to \$25 for 30 days. Ras Gharib crude was reduced \$3 to \$23 a barrel.

An Egyptian Petroleum Corporation spokesman Hamad Ayoub, said it was hoped to bold these prices at least until May. Egypt produces about 700,000 barrels of oil a day. Of this, about 200,000 barrels are

With mounting inflation, little profit

Investors preparing to quit Venezuela

"The result will be that Venezuela will lose

access to the foreign technology and know-

how it desperately needs for its develop-

ment," said Rodger Farrell, president of the

Venezuelan-American Chamber of Com-

The country has experienced virtually zero

growth over the past three years and has cut

back on major oil, steel and infrastructure

investment projects with declining oil

income, already 20 percent down last year.

could decline to 15 to the dollar in coming

months and they expect the cost of living

increase this year to double from last year's

Some economists predict that the bolivar

Tinancial Roundup

Dollar steady, pound listless

By J.H. Hammond

The Thursday markets saw very little activity compared to the fluctuations of the past few days. The dollar managed to hold on against the major currencies on Thursday after another day of weak trading on the Eurodollar money markets. In the over-night New York markets, dollar interest rates remained steady at the 8 15/16-9 1/t6 percent for the one month and around the 91/2 percent for the one-year tenor. With the Federal Reserve Board still not moving to cut back on its discount rate, the money market's attention was now on the impact of the FED's borrowing requirements on U.S. interest rates. The markets in general continue to take stock after the OPEC price and quantity agreement.

The pound continues to trade listlessly after a no-surprises budget but the British money markets are bracing themselves for another round of base lending rate cuts by the U.K. high street banks to 101/2 percent from 11 percent levels. The pound traded at \$1.5065 levels on Thursday down from

\$1.5100 levels on Wednesday. The German mark was steady at 2.3780 levels while the French franc beld form at 6.8500 despite some profit-taking. The yen was steady at 237.80 while the Swiss franc rose to 2.0520 levels. In the bullion markets, gold prices rose to

\$425 but continuous profit-taking pushed prices down to \$416 at one stage. Silver fell back to \$10.70 from \$11.05 on Wednesday. Dealers attributed the falls to the dollar's steadiness. In the local markets the riyal deposit rates

once again held to a comfortable level of 74-74 percent and dealing concentrated in the short dates at 7 percent for the week tenor. Spot riyal/dollar rates averaged at 3.4395-03 prices.

The following are the closing gold prices in U.S. dollars per troy ounce: London 425.26

Paris 418.00 Frankfurt 416.25 Zurich 419.65. Hong Kong

French borrowings increase

PARIS, March 17 (AFP) - France borrowed \$2.1 billion in January and February this year, making it one of the world's big borrowers, the Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development said here Wednesday

Only the United States and Japan bave borrowed as mucb. Also on the OECD's list of big borrowers over the same period are Sweden (\$1.8 billion), and reduce and Denmark (\$1.6 billion eacb).

France borrowed \$1.58 billion in January, followed by only \$520 million in February because, observers said, of the run-up to the March 6/13 municipal elections. Loans usually tail off around election time.

The sources predicted that Paris would soon he stepping up its search for Eurocredit loans to cope with its deteriorating trade figures. Two French banks are expected to be lonking for a total of about \$500 million. But Economic Ministry sources said that there

ezuela was thinking of seeking between \$1.2

billion and \$1.5 billion from the IMF as well

as \$2 billion to \$3 billion from the banks, one

well-informed banking source said. The loans

are expected to feature in talks in New York

this week between Sosa and Venezuela's cre-

ditor banks. He may also formally broach the

The OPEC agreement has helped clarify

Venezuela's likely cash flow for this year, although its full impact on the market

Athens backs

for EEC seat

ATHENS, March 17 (AP) - President

Constantine Caramanlis, who steered Greece

into the European Economic Community

three years ago. Wednesday promised visit-

ing Portuguese President Antonio Ramalho

Eanes Greek support for Portugal's bid to join the community.
"Greece both wishes for and backs your

country's accession to the community," Caramanlis said, speaking at a state banquet

in honor of Eanes. The Portuguese president arrived Wednesday for a three-day offical visit and talks with Caramanlis and Premier

subject of rescheduling private debts.

remains uncertain, banking sources said.

Lisbon bid

were "no surprises in store — certainly not any repetition of last autumn's spectacular \$4 billion Eurocredit Ioan."

The biggest borrower on world capital markets last month, according to the OECD statistics, was Denmark (\$1.4 billion). followed by Japan (\$1.3 billion), Canada (\$730 million), France and the United States (\$520 million).

Meanwhile, French industry, which started to struggle when oil prices soared at the end of 1979, continued to battle in 1981, the French research institute Insee said Wednes-

In its review, Insee said that falling profits and growing financial problems bindered the investments necessary to deal with fiercer international competition. It added that value added by industry grew only nine percent in 1981. The equivalent figure for 1980 was 10.6 percent, itself lower than in 1974.

The Insee report highlighted growing indebtedness on the part of industry from late 1979. The ratio of financial costs in the value-added figure grew from 7.6 percent in 1979 to nine percent in 1980 and 10.8 percent in 1981.

India will save \$480m on oil bills

NEW DELHI, March 17 (AP) - India stands to save nearly \$480 million on its oil import bill this year if the recently announced OPEC price cut holds.

India has contracted to buy 12.7 million metric tons of crude oil and petroleum products this year, or about 92.6 million barrels. Petroleum Ministry spokesman K.C. Kack-

atwana said Wednesday.

At the old \$34 a barrel base price, it would have cost India \$3.14 billion in badly needed

foreign exchange.
In addition, India may buy up to about 2.5 million tons on the spot market, depending

on actual domestic production and consumption. That could have added another \$620 million to its import bill at the old price.

The \$5 a barrel OPEC price cut that took

affect March 1 should lower the cost of the contracted oil by about \$386 million during the remaining 10 months of the year, and could save India up to \$91 million on its spot market purchases.

EEC endorses jute agreement

BRUSSELS, March 17 (AP) - The European Community Commission endorsed the proposed international jute agreement Thursday and called on member governments to sign it before June 30.

The agreement, negotiated in 1982, would belp impoverished jute producing countries find markets for the commodity and regularize prices of supplies for jute importing coun-

The pact would set up an International Jute Council in Dhaka, Bangladesh, to develop and promote the use of jute around the

world. Under terms of the negotiation, the pact comes into force provisionally when three exporting countries, representing 85 percent of the exports and 20 importers, representing 65 percent of the imports, sign the agreement. "It is hoped that the provisional appli-

Foreign Exchange Rates Quoted at 5:00 p.m. Thursday

cations can start July 1," the commission said.

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Behraini Dinar	9.25	9.14				
Bangladeshi Taka	14.21	14.11				
Belgian Franc (1,000)	74.00	73.82				
Canadian Dollar		2,83				
Deutche Mark (†00)	145.00	t 44.80				
Dutch Guilder (100)	13t.00	130.48				
Egyptian Pound	3.11	3.19				
Emirates Dirham (100)	93.25	94.60				
Prench Franc (100)	50.60	50.32				
Greek Drachma († 000)	38.00	41.30				
Indian Ropes (100)		34.59				
Iranian Riyal (t00)						
Iraqi Dinar	5.80					
italian Lira (10,000)	24.60	24.40				
Japanese Yen (t,000)	15.30	14.60				
Jordanian Dinar	9.72	9.69				
Kuwaiti Disar	11.84	11.80				
Lebanese Lira (100)	82.50	81.72				
Moroccan Dirham (†00)	53.10	54.28				
Pakistani Rupee (100)	28.10	26.80				
Philippines Pero († 00)		36.35				
Pound Starting	5.23	5.19				
Qatari Riyal (†00)	94.25	94.60				
Singapore Dollar (100)		165.45				
Spanish Peseta (1,000)		26.26				
Swiss Franc (100)	168.70	168.00				
Syrian Lira (100)	60.00	61.60				
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means an estimated loss of about \$3.5 billion administration for "running up foreign debts without control during the delirious years of in oil export income from the targeted \$16 billion, bringing it helow last year's level of oil bonanza." The government had set aside only \$5 billion of the original \$18.1 billion

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unports of \$13 billion. Venezuela also needs to act quickly to restructure its foreign debt, which totals \$32 billion, to restore the flow of foreign credit and revive business activity that has been paralyzed since exchange controls were introduced two weeks ago, the bankers said. The bolivar was quoted last week at 9.05 to

the dollar against the old rate of 4.3, and private businesses have begun large-scale layoffs to cut costs. Foreign investment in Venezuela is around \$2 billion according to official figures, with the United States accounting for 50 percent. But many multinationals have been hit by the

new exchange controls and are preparing to

PEKING, March 17 (AFP) — China has signed a contract worth \$20 million with an

American company for the building of a semi-submerisble drilling platform incorporating advanced technology, the New China News Agency reported Thursday.

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tion (CNOOC) and Baker Marine Corpora-

tion (BMC) bave set up a joint company cal-led China Nanhai-Baker Drilling Corpora-

tion Ltd. which will construct the semi-

submersible platform. The same joint firm

will manage the renting and use of other dril-

The new company, with a capital of \$20

million subscribed 50-50 by the two partners,

is the largest set up so far between China and

a foreign group in this sector, the agency noted. The BMC-1600 semi-submersible

platform can drill in 480 meters of water. The

ling platforms in China and abroad.

pull out.

9.9 percent as a result of the devaluation. President Luis Herrera Campins recently said the country must adapt to times of sacrifice, and sharply criticized the previous

1983 budget for debt service — \$1.4 billion for repayments and \$3.6 billion for refinancing loans.

It now recognizes that it not only has to refinance some \$6.6 billion in sbort-term public agency debt, but also \$3.5 billion owned by state-owned banks. It is also pressing the private sector to reschedule between \$4 billion and \$5 billion. Finance Minister

public and private debt this year. With the \$5 OPEC price cut and its own production quota cut to 1.7 million barrels per day from the targeted two million. Ven-

Over the past two years, BMC bas sbared

in the building of two jack-up drilling rigs at the Dalain shipyard in North East China. The

new joint comapny, established for a period of 14 years, will be based at Shenzhen, a

special industrial zone in south China adja-

cent to Hong Kong. The agreement between

them provides for an equitable sharing of

Larry Baker, chairman of the BMC board,

said: "This venture is going to be a success.

We'll have problems but nothing is insur-mountable, because I'm comfortable with the

tions will progressively develop beginning in

Arturo Sosa said recently there were simply

not enough foreign reserves to service all

Andreas Papandreou on Portugal's EEC candidacy.

China-U.S. firm to make drilling platform Jiangnan shipyard in Shanghai is to build the platform, which is scheduled to be completed the second balf of this year."

Oin said that foreign companies applying for offsbore concessions in the South China Sea would shortly have their applications considered. "We will seclect the most competitive companies after discussions with all participants in the bidding, and then start contract negotiations," Qin said. More than 100 bids were received last summer from a total of 33 companies interested in South China Sea concessions.

Qin said certain contracts were likely to be signed up by the middle of this year. China's oil output bas been about level for two years at some 100 million tons per annum. Most oil comes from land deposits, a large quantity beging available at Daqing in the northeast. China is counting on offshore operations to boost its output.

Qin Wencai, general manager of CNOOC said: "China's offshore oil exploration opera-

Inflation, unemployment finally reach Finland

profits, losses and risks.

people I'm dealing with."

HELSINKI, March 17 (AFP) - Inflation and unemployment, twin evils of the industrial world, have finally reached Finland, which will hold legislative elections next Sunday and Monday.

After a period of soaring economic growth that sparked deep envy amid Finland's Scandinavian neighbors, the effects of the worldwide recession bave finally hit the country, bringing a seven percent increase in unemp-

PHILADELPHIA (AFP) - The French company CISI (Compagnie Internationale de Services en Informatique) has acquired 80 percent of the United States forecasting company Wharton Econometrics, it was announced here Thursday.

PARIS (AFP) — The United States company Harry Winston has won a license to buy loyment, a 9.3 percent inflation rate and a \$314 million trade deficit last year. While the country had a trade surplus of nearly \$200 million in 1981, wood sales, which represent 40 percent of total exports, dipped five percent last year, mostly due to the recent 16 percent Finnish devaluation.

Meanwhile, trade with the Soviet Union, Finland's major trade partner — accounting for 26.7 percent of Finnish trade - bas also been less favorable to Helsinki due to the

BRIEFS and market diamonds from Zaire as part of its current diversification program in uncut

diamonds, the company announced here. THE HAGUE (AFP) - Unemployment m the Netherlands rose by 2,700 to 778,747 during February, and the unemployment rate is now 16.7 percent, the Social Affairs Ministry announced here Thursday.

drop in the price of oil, Finland's major import from the Soviet Union. Oil imports are bartered against the export of Finnish industrial goods. Finland, which imported 81 percent of its

oil last year from the Soviets, now bas a \$166 million surplus which will have to be absorbed either by importing more and unnecessary Soviet goods or by looking for markets elsewhere.

DAR ÉS SALAAM (AP) — Tanzania's national airline, Air Tanzania Corp., announced Wednesday that it is canceling its 4-month-old service to Bombay, India, because of high operating costs.

PARIS (AP) — The number of French job-seekers dropped 2.3 percent in gross terms to 2,080,100 last month, the Employment Ministry announced here.



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CAPSULED EMOTIONS

You have a boss who is temporarily cross with you because of some serious misdemeanor on your part or one who believes something more than a flair for flattery is needed for you to win a promotion or salary hike. Or you have almost lost your peace of mind and half of the night's sleep because your wife has set her heart on a costly household gadget beyond your means. Don't you worry. All that you have to do is to pop into a chemist's, choose the right kind of pill that will instantly change the feelings of your tormentors and smuggle it into their daily cup of coffee or milk. Then everything will be fine and your life will be all sunshine.

Sounds incredible? Or reads like a page straight out of Issac Asimove's Foundation triology? No, two doctors at the National Institute of Mental Health in America are currently working on such an instant emotion pill and they predict that in a few years' time we will all be taking a bottle which may induce feelings of love, courage, serenity, good humor, calm, contentment and even hope and elation. The doctors, according to a report, have discovered a chemical that causes monkeys, when injected, to shake with fear even though they were in the safe comfort of a laboratory. This has led them to conclude, not prematurely, on hopes, that by swallowing or injecting chemicals other kinds of emotions can also be induced without outside stimulants.

To be sure, there will be many, like Professor John Hughes of the Imperial College of London, who are too skeptical to swallow this theory of human behavior. But we hope that the American doctors will try their level best to remove doubts in their minds by pointing out past attempts in this direction.

In fact, there were reports, some 10 years ago. that one American research group was working on a pill which, if taken by Negroes, will induce them to think they are as happy as their white compatriots. Someone, preferably in the U.S. administration, can take up the thread where this research group has left it and work on some other kinds of pills. For example one pill for Europeans which will persuade them to believe that the deployment of Pershing and Cruise missiles is the best thing that can happen to them and another one to convince the unfortunate victims of aggression that a life under the yoke is the ultimate in human bliss. And a third one to make poor people believe they are really rich and to make rich people more generous. But right now we need an urgent pill to convince us that what has been said so far is true and may one day be realized.

Saudi Arabian press review

The implications of Zionist policy and King Fahd's address at the Holy Qur'an competition were among the topics of comment in the press Thursday.

Al -Riyadh deplored the Zionist policy and expressed the hope that Arab leaders would be fully aware of its dangerous implications. It asked whether Arab pressmen would be able to unmask Israeli designs so that the coming generanions would fully understand the dangerous policy.

It called on all parties concerned to follow up and evaluate the enemy's practices and tactics in order to encounter them,

instead of resorting to a passive role.

Al-Bilad reproduced King Fahd's address, read on his behalf by Prince Majed ibn Abdulaziz, governor of the Makkah region at the current Holy Qur'an competition. It said the Kingdom was using all its diplomatic and economic resources in the service of Islam and Islamic causes.

Okaz called on Muslims to adhere to the teachings of the Holy Qur'an which it said was the source of all legislation and aimed al establishing a "virtuous community. (SPA)

No words can be too strong to condemn Israel's resort to stringent laws in the occupied areas to punish Palestinian students fighting to recover their usurped lands. At the same time I have some advice to offer to the young sons of Palestine.

Advice to Palestinian youths

At present, the Palestinian youths are exposing themselves to grave danger, rather extermination, as the enemy is heavily armed by a superpower with all lethal weapons. And the enemy is apathetic to your feelings and is out to finish you.

My advice in this situation is that let the issue be handled by Arab and Islamic elders. The youngsters should save their energies and develop capabilities for giving the Zionist enemy a tougher fight at a more opportune time.

The murderers

Sir,
Klaus Barbie was only an ordinary policeman Barhie rightfully argues, a multitude of superpower-kept juntas, "democratic Israel" not excluded, are still resorting to indiscriminate mass murders to preserve their power and privileges.

Ironically, Barbie's arrest became possible not only because of his criminal record but primarily due to the convanient fact that the jurisdiction of the Third Reich is no longer there to protect him. Should the Israeli jurisdiction expire in a similar fashion. Begin. Sharon and their likes may well end up in the dock right next to Herr Barbie.

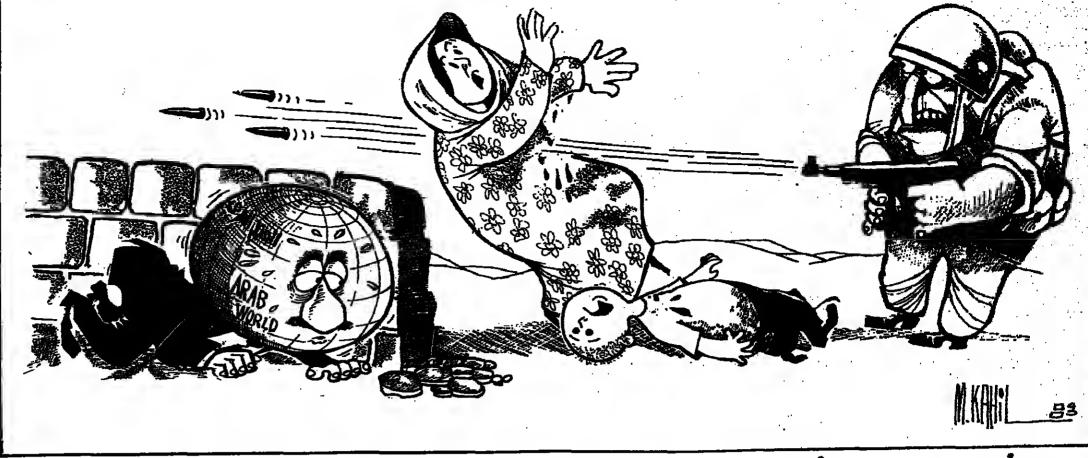
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Australia Islamic inheritance law

This is with reference to the questions and ans-

wers published in your issue of Feh. 25 relating to inheritance share of grandchildren if their father predeceases the grandfather. While you have indicated the position in accordance with one school of thought, may I suggest for your elaboration that the apparent lack of provision for a share for grandchildren in the estate of the grandfather is actually a hlessing to them. Because if the grandchildren were to wail till the death of the grandfather for getting their share, they may not have any other resources to carry on particularly when in most such situations the grandchildren would be minors. What they therefore need really is some provision from the grandfather straightaway for their day to day living and it is here the sharia provisions become e hlessing for a God-fearing grandfather is duty bound to "gift" away as much as is appropriate and a little more for his grandehildren without waiting for the "compulsory will" or some other mechanism to

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Peace plans fail to halt Central American tensions

By Bernd Debusmann

MEXICO CITY -Attempts to end the bloodshed and tension in turbuleni Central America are being hampered partly by the fact that there are too many peace plans. "The governments of the region are having problems to agree on which peace plan to discuss, said a Western diplomat. "Though this is only one obstacle on the road to peace, it is a fairly substantial one.

According to Costa Rican Foreign Minister Fernando Volio, there have been 18 different peace plans for Central America since 1980. None had success in defusing the most explosive issues of the troubled region: the civil wars in El Salvador and Guatemala and tension between Nicaragua and

Following Pople John Paul's visit to Central America this month, Costa Rica offered yet another peace plan, Honduras announced efforts to convene a foreign ministers' meeting and a gathering of heads of state, Nicaragua said it would hold a continental conference on peace, and El Salvador coldshouldered a Costa Rican mediation attempt.

At the same time. President Reagan warned about "the advance of communism" in Central America and asked Congress to agree to vastly increased military aid for El Salvador's U.S.backed army in its fight against leftist insurgents.

Washington has sponsored a number of unsuccessful peace moves, including a meeting in Costa Rica in October of seven Central American and Caribbean countries plus the United States. Dubbed "Forum for Peace and Democracy," the gathering ended with ringing assertions that free elections were the key to Central America's problems. The forum excluded Nicaragua and Guatemala, saying their governments were not freely elected.

The meeting was widely seen as a United States effort to forge an alliance against Nicaragua, whose leftist rulers have been chief targets of U.S. hostility. Diplomatic analysts said the Costa Rica forum was meant as an alternative to a joint Mexican-Venezuelan proposal which embraced Nicaragua as a crucial element in any genuine peace moves and urged direct talks between El Salvador's U.S.backed government and its left-wing guerrilla

Important elements of the Mexican-Venezuelan proposal have now been adopted by Costa Rica after Foreign Minister Volio said his government was trying to work out a new plan incorporating the best elements of previous initiatives

. Volio explained that Costa Rica had invited the foreign ministers of El Salvador, Honduras. Nicaragua and Guatemala to talk peace and prospects were good that they would all accept. The proposal drew a muted welcome from President Reagan, who took the opportunity to launch another attack on the Nicaraguan leadership and what he termed its lack of respect for freedom.

Just three days after Costa Rica announced efforts for a plan to end all plans, Nicaragua said it had invited 22 organizations from Latin America, Europe, Asia and Africa to a "continental conference for peace and sovereignty." Two days later, Hondoras said it was preparing a meeting of Latin American foreign ministers to discuss peace in Central America. Government sources added there were parallel efforts to draw a few presidents to Honduras. Progress in promoting peace has so far been hindered by disagreement over the causes of Central America's conflicts.

The United States and its allies in Central America - El Salvador, Honduras, Costa Rica say that violence and war are rooted in Cuban and Soviet attempts to spread left-wing revolution from Nicaragua to the rest of the region.

Leftists and liberals throughout Latin America

blame social injustice and economic inequality. They accuse the United States of interfering in Central American affairs and say Washington views the area solely in the context of the East-West struggle.

This perception of Central America's complex problems has brought Washington into sharp conflict with Mexico, a country many diplomatic analysts see as particularly well-suited to play an active role in peace moves because of its cordial ties with Nicaragua and leftist organizations. The Mexicans reacted angrily to President Reagan's assertion on March 10 that El Salvador's violence, left unchecked, would spread to Guatemala, Honduras. and Costa Rica and create a threat "to Panama, the canal, and ultimately Mexico."

At the meeting of nonaligned states in New Delhi, Mexican Foreign Minister Bernardo Sepulveda promptly condemned "a simplistic approach to international realities ... (which) would have us believe that revolution in Central America would automatically spread to other countries in

He added: "The current crisis in the area is tied to backwardness, misery, secular exploitation — not, as some claim, to an ideological East-West contron-

New study absolves Emperor Hirohito of war decision

By John Roderick

TOKYO -A new study says available evidence indicates that Emperor Hirohito "certainly was not the mastermind" behind Japan's decision to go to war with

the United States and Great Britain in 1941. 'His uphringing, training and temperament all conditioned him to accept the guidance of his advisers, not initiate any policy, domestic or foreign. writes Mikiso Hane, professor of history at Knox College in Galesburg, Ellinois, in the United States In fact, he continues, the emperor, then 40, favored settlement of Japanese-American differences through diplomatic negotiations, "even though his reasons may have been based on fear of losing the war rather than on the desire to avoid bloodshed."

Hane has written a detailed look at Japan's march to war, accompanying his translation of the 1933-36 diaries of Gen. Shigeru Honjo, then the emperor's chief aide-de-camp." It could be argued, perhaps, that even though he wished to avoid a military confrontation, he failed to assert his authority sufficiently to avert such a conflict," Hane

That he did not do so was the fault of his personality which was at times "excessively cautious, even timid" and his belief that he was barred by the constitution from making a decision unless specially asked to do so.

Labor leader Boh Hawke, sworn in as Australia's

prime minister last week, has run into trouble with

the trade unions after only a few days in office.

Hawke, who promised in bis election campaign to

hring unions and employers together to beal the

recession, angered the unions with a statement Fri-

day that the national wage "pause" may need to be

extended until the end of the year. It was due to end

in July after six months. Even before Hawke had

selected his cahinet, three of the country's biggest

unions had given notice that they would push for a

Council of Trade Unions, was dealt an additional

blow when the Builders' Laborers' Federation

stepped up its industrial campaign for a 36-hour

week and a \$A40-a-week pay rise. Stung by the

unions' immediate push, Hawke last week sent invi-

tations to government, husiness and union leaders

to attend an economic summit on April tt. That

Hawke, a former president of the Australian

general wage rise in June.

By Lindsay Murdoch MELBOURNE —

But when it came time to take a strong stand, such as the suppression of an officer's revolt in 1936 and ending the war in 1945, "he was fully capable of

Hirohito, now 81 and stripped of all but symbolic power under Japan's postwar constitution, is his nation's longest reigning monarch and the last of the major actors in the drama of World War II. The part he played in it remains even now a controversial subject, some historians saying he actively encouraged the militarists of the time and others -insisting he was powerless to hair

Hane says the Honjo diaries show he was not "a mindless pupper" but bad strong convictions of his own. He may have been irresolute, but he was intelligent, well-read and fully aware of the events of the day. Gen. Honjo served in a number of high posts, including that of commanding general of the Kwantung Army in Manchuria, during the fateful 1930s when Japan's militarists slowly, but steadily, edged toward war with China and the West. His forces overthrew those of Hsuch-Luamg, the young warlord of Manchuria, paving the way for creation of the puppet state of Manchukuo.

Labeled a war criminal by the allied powers in 1945, he committed suicide. Hane's English translation of the diaries, published in Japanese in 1967, was issued recently by the University of Tokyo

Hawke's wage pause plan angers unions

coincided with an announcement by the Bureau of

After coming to power in a landslide victory, the

Statistics that a record 10.7 percent of the work-

new prime minister had a bectic first week.

devaluating the dollar, announcing a review of all

the previous Liberal-National coalition govern-ment's programs and beginning the task of honor-

ing his pledge to obtain wage restraint by agree-

Hawke's 27-member government is dominated

by center and right factions of the Labor Party.

Only one member of the Left won a ministry posi-

Meanwhile, the Liberal Party has chosen as its

new leader Andrew Peacock, an attractive and

popular public performer, in a hid to match the

after the election defeat, Peacock's leadership is

critical. Liberals (in Australia the word means con-

servative) always deal cruelly and quickly with los-

star quality" of Hawke. With the party in tatters

force was unemployed.

Hane says the diaries show that "his political leanings were liberal, and by temperament he was a moderate." His other advisers later complained that he lacked sympathy with the extreme rightists, and said he was in conflict with the army because of his "extremely liberal ideas."

During the 1930s, Hirohito, then in his thirties, 'disapproved of anyone who was in sympathy with fascism" and did not favor an alliance with Germany and Italy, Hane says. "The entries in the Honjo diary reveal the emperor's desire for Internanonal cooperation and his wish to maintain good relations with Great Britain and the United States. especially the former," Hane observed. His sentlments remained unchanged up to the outhreak of the war and annoyed Prime Minister Hideki Tojo.

Opposed to expansionism and chauvinism, the emperor criticized the Manchurian army for ignoring his commands when he was "striving to preserve world peace." He told one of his secretaries, Okamoto Aisuke, "this causes me no end of anguish... When I think of all these problems, I cannot sleep at night."

Eager to avoid war, the emperor proposed a non-aggression pact with the Soviet Union as early as 1934. In a diary entry for Feb. 2, be is quoted as saying "Russia must not be rejected simply because its ideology is unacceptable to us. Would it not be best to adopt a liberal policy and deal with Russia in a just and honorable fashion, thus preventing it

ers and there was little thought of ex-Premier Mal-

colm Fraser wheo the vote was taken. Fraser

He has accepted responsibility for the election

He and Peacock, 44, have long been rivals. In

defeat, which gave Labor the largest majority it has

had in parliament since the federation was created.

1980. Peacock threatened to resign from the gov-

ernment because Fraser wanted to continue recog-

nizing the regime led by Pol Pot as the official

government of Kampuchea. After the 1980 elec-

tion, Peacock demanded a change from the foreign

affairs portfolio which be had held, and Fraser gave

Within five months, relations between the two

men had become so sour that Peacock resigned

from the cabinet, declaring that Fraser was deter-

mined to get his own way. Last April, Peacock

formally challenged Fraser for the leadership but

him industrial relations.

operate on his death.

was beaten 27 votea to 54. (LOS)

and is expected to retire from parliament soon.

declined even to vote in the leadership ballot.

from harboring hostile designs on Japan?"

If Russia attacked unjustly, Japan must be prepared to respond decisively, he continued, "but if

we remain needlessly suspicious and apprehensive; would it not cause an outbreak of tragic incidents?" Honjo acknowledged the argument but said the military was "extremely sensitive" about Soviet communism because it sought to stir up the laborets

and proletariats of other countries. A humane man dedicated to his marine biology studies, Hirohito seldom quarreled with his subora pitiful sight" he exclaimed when he was presented a pair of red-headed cranes by a general who had shot them. He refused to eat them. When, on the same day, he was given a live carp, he released it to the imperial ponds.

Hane says one of his weaknesses was that he failed to understand the extent of the poverty of the pre-war peasants. Historians say their misery led to radicalism in the army and the adventures that led to the Pacific War. He thought that in their own way they led happy lives, and "should think about the pleasures of nature and not dwell on the unpleasant aspects of their lives."

Hane says this attitude sprang from his isolation from the common people. (AP)

Today is Friday, March 18. the 77th day of 1983. There are 288 days left in the year. Highlights in history on this date: 1554 - England's Princess Elizabeth is sent to

Tower of London for suspected complicity in Sir Thomas Wyatt's rebellion. 1584 - Feodore, last of the Rurik dynasty,

succeeds as Czar of Russia on death of Ivan the Terrible. 1813 - Hamburg is occupied by Russians fol-

lowing patriotic outhreak in that German city against French. 1913 -- Greece's King George I is assassinated in

Salonika. 1922 — Mahatma Gandhi is sentenced to six years imprisonment in India for civil disobedi-

1937 — Gas explosion in school in New London, Texas, takes lives of more than 400 persons, most of them children.

1959 - Hawaii becomes 50th U.S. state. 1962 — Ceasefire in Algerian war is signed by French and Algerian rebel delegations in Evian-

Les-Baine, France. 1965 — Egypt's exiled King Farouk dies in Rome, Soviet air force officer becomes first man to leave orbiting spacecraft and float in space.

1976 — Cambodia's Prince Norodom Sihanouk is deposed as chief of state while he is on a visit to Moscow-Twenty persons are killed as mobs enforce strike called by Marxists in India's state of West Bengal.

1973 — Cambodia's President Lon Nol orders stern measures under state of emergency declared after bombing of presidential palace in Phnom

1978 — United States asks U.N. Security Coun-

cil to call for immediate withdrawal of Israeli forces from South Lebanon.

1982 — Four members of Dutch television crew are killed in rural area of El Salvador when guerrillas they are filming open fire on army patrol.

Thought for today:

"He who calls to the right guidance, has the same reward as those who follow him. It will not be made less than their rewards. And he who calls to wrong, hurdens himself with the same sin as the sins of those who follow him. It will not be made less than their sins". - Prophet Muhammad.

(Houd: 11; 50-52)

Blessings and fear of Allah

A full cycle has turned and ignorance was back in full sway.

Successive generations of mankind, their number known only to Allah, must have lived and passed away, having been guided by true submission to Allah. This means that they lived according to Islam, which was the faith of their parents. Adam and Eve. They remained so until Satan was able to move them away from the straight path, which, in turn, gave rise to the kind of ignorance which Noah had faced. Noah (Peace be on Him), however, was saved with his followers by Allah. The rest of mankind were destroyed in the floods, in fulfilment of Noah's prayers. Again, numerous generations, known only to Allah, adopted as the basis of their social order the principle of submission to Allah, which is the meaning of Islam. They continued to do so until Satan was able again to cause them to stray. The peoples of Aad and Thamoud belonged to ignorance.

Aad was a tribe living at Al-Ahqaf, or the sand dunes, in the south of the Arabian peninsula. Thamoud was another tribe living in the townships of Al-Hijr somewhere between Madinah and Tabuk in North Arabia. Both tribes were extremely powerful and affluent. Both also deviated from the right path and chose idol worship in preference to the worship of Allah alone. They accused Allah's messengers of fabricating lies. Hence, their histories are full of lessons for the believers.

Houd belonged to the tribe of Aad. He is. then, their brother, united with them by the blood relationship which binds together all tribesmen. This tie is emphasized here because it should generate confidence, compassion and honest counsel among brethren. Hence, the attitude adopted by the people toward their brother and Prophet seems even more odd and repugnant. The parting of the ways at the end between the people of Aad and their

brother comes about because of the ideological conflict. Thus the concept of the invalidity of all ties when the tie of faith is non-existent is strongly emphasized. This bond of faith is thus given prominence in Islamic society, making it absolutely clear the nature of Islamic faith and its line of

Houd starts his call when be and his people helong to the same community, united together by the ties of family, clan, tribe and land. They end up, however, as two different nations: One submissive to Allah and another worshipping other gods beside Him. The two are at variance with each other. Allah's promise to give victory to the believers and to destroy the unbelievers comes to pass only when the parting of the ways takes place and the two sides are clearly distinguished from each other. The Prophet and those who believe in Allah with him dissociate themselves from their people and consider all their former ties with them as invalid. They no longer have any loyalty to their former people and former leadership. They are loyal only to Allah, their Lord and to their Muslim leadership had called on them to submit themselves to Allah alone. Only at this moment of the parting of the ways they are given

"To And We sent their brother Houd." In the same way as Noah was previously sent to his people. He said: "My people!" His appeal is friendly, reminding them of the ties that unite them together so that they may have confidence in what he says. He would not have cheated his own people.

Worship Allah alone; you have no god other than Him." The very same words with which every messenger addressed his people. Deviation had certainly taken place after the believers with Noah disembarked from the ark. Perhaps the first deviant step was an attempt to glorify the small group of believers who were saved in the ark with

Noah. This glorification might have increased gradually by successive generation until their holy spirits were represented in trees and stones which had some sort of heneficial qualities. With the passage of time these stones and trees became idnls which were worshipped and served by clergymen who made people submit themselves to the will of other people in the name of these claimed idols. This is only one of the numerous forms of ignorance which may possess human communities. We have to remember that any deviation, even by one step, from the line of the absolute unity of Allah and total submission to Him will inevitably be followed by further steps which take mankind far away from the right

In any case, Houd's people were idolaters who did not submit themselves to Allah alone. His messenger, therefore, made the same address to them as every messenger addressed his people: "My people! Worship Allah alone; yan have no god other than Him. You are indeed inventors of falsebood." False inventions are those idols you

worship alongside Allah. Noah then hastens to make it clear to his people that he is giving them honest and sincere counsel, for no ulterior motives and that he seeks no reward of any kind from them. He expects his reward from Allah who has brought him into existence. Houd's statement "No reward do I ask of you" suggests that he was implicity or explicitly accused that he had personal interest which he tried to serve by making his call. Hence his comment: "Have you then no sense?" It is indeed singular that people should imagine that a messenger from Allab may seek personal gains from human heings, when Allah, who has sent him, is the one who provides all people with their suste-

Houd then directs them to seek Allah's forgiveness and to turn to Him in repentence. The surah here repeats the same words stated at its opening as quoted from Muhammad, the last messenger, Houd indeed gave his people the same promise and the same warning as did Mubammad thousands of years later. To seek Allah's forgiveness and to repent of one's sins opens a new page and sets one on a new road where good intentions are translated into good deeds. Their reward, then, will be abundant. They will have the rain they need for their farms and animals. They will prosper and have bumper harvests as a result of the rain which will be coming in abundance. Their strength for which they

were renowned will certainly increase. The only thing which may withhold all this is their own attitude if they choose to commit the crimes of turning away from Allah and accusing His messenger of inventing fahricarions: "My peoplet Seek forgiveness of your Lord, and then turn to Him in repenience. He will cause the sky to rain abondance on you, and will add strength to your strength. Do not turn away (from Him) as guilty criminals."

Reflecting on Houd's promise, we note that it relates to rain and strength. How can these depend on seeking Allah's forgiveness and repenting of one's sins, when they operate according to the natural laws at work in the universe?

As far as the increase in strength is concerned the explanation is easy. Cleanliness of people's hearts and their commitment to good action will inevitably add to the strength of those who repent of their sins. They enjoy hetter health because they eat in moderation and their diet is free from harmful things. Their consciences are relaxed. they bave no tension; they have confidence in Allah and His mercy. Their social life is also bealthier because they implement Allah's law which ensures for man his freedom and dignity. They maintain their equality in front of Allah. Besides, faith taps the resources of all people to contribute to man's task of building the earth, without any diversion of blowing up the images of

false gods. People who do not implement Allah's laws in their lives may be powerful, but their power is only temporary. It will eventually collapse, according to Allah's laws, because it is not based on solid foundation. Such power is derived from only one side of natural laws, such as hard work, discipline and a high standard of production. But these do not last. The fact that the social order and the spiritual side of life are not well founded will bring about their collapse.

Rain, on the other hand, seems to occur according to natural phenomena. This, bowever, does not preclude that rain may be beneficial in a certain ome and place while it is barmful and destructive in another time and another place. Allah may decide to give life through rain to a certain people, or make rain the undoing of another people. He may, if He chooses, fulfill His promise as well as His threats through the manipulation of natural phenomena. After all. He is the creator of these phenomena. and the creator of both cause and effect. His will remains free and absolute to do whatever He likes, however He chooses

Life of the Prophet - 102

More military activity, victories without fighting

By Adil Salahi

The Prophet's military activities after Uhud

completed a successful expedition and gained

financially in the market there. Once again,

they demonstrated that they feared no one in

Arabia. Shortly after their return to Madinah

the Propbet married Umm Salamah whose

name was Hind. The title Umm Salamah was

given ber according to the traditions of

Arabia which are still valid in many Arab

countries. The word "Umm" means mother

and Salamah was the name of her eldest son.

To call any person, man or woman, by the fact

of their parenthood of their eldest son is a

sign of respect. Umm Salamah was better

known by her title to the extent that few

Apparently. Umm Salamah was either

middle aged or elderly. This is evident from

the fact that her own son, Salamah, acted for

her when the marriage contract was made.

She, however, was good looking and

belonged to a distinguished family. Her hus-

band. Abu Salamah, was one of the first com-

panions of the Prophet to emigrate with his

wife both to Abbysinnia and then to

Madinah. He was certainly a good soldier of

Islam and a good military commander. He

received a wound in the battle of Uhud when

he remained steadfast with the Prophet when

others of his companions were overtaken by

confusion. Although his wound healed and

he was well enough to be the commander of

another expedition (where he fought against

the tribe of Assad) his injury recurred and he

died as a result.
When the Prophet sent someone over a

year later to propose to her on his behalf she

was overjoyed. To be married to the Propher

was an honor no Muslim woman would hesi-

should not be able to fulfil her duties as the

wife of Allah's messenger. After all, she was

no longer young; she had children, some of

them were still young; and the Prophet had

other wives. She, therefore, sent a kind apol-

ogy saying: "I cannot help my jealousy, I am

old and burdened with young dependents."

are old, I am older than you. Allah will relieve

you of your jealousy. You may assign your

fourth wife of the Prophet in Madinah. He

was already married to Sawdah, who was an

elderly woman, Aisha, who was in the prime

of her youth and possibly Hafsah who was of

The fact that Quraish did not wish to

engage the Muslims in a new battle meant

that the initiative was now completely in their

hands. The Prophet was keen that the Muslim

state io Madinah should not be considered by

any prospective enemy as an easy prey. His

informers brought him intelligence that the

Arab tribes in the area of Dawmat al-Jandal.

in the north of Arabia and close to Palestine

and Syria, have been attacking trade caravans

and threatening all travelers. Their exploits

had convinced them that they were too pow-

erful for anyone, to the extent that they did

contemplate attacking Madinah. Moreover,

he was told that a large force had been raised

one thousand men of his companions and

marched with them northward. They

marched at night and encamped during the

day so that they can take their enemy by

surprise. It was a long journey, lasting fifteen

nights to cover the distance. An expert guide

was employed to show them the way. The

Muslims were indeed able to take their enemies by surprise and swept through their

encampments. Thus, the forces which were

Hamra area is centrally air-

The Prophet, therefore, raised a force of.

to launch such an attack.

mature age.

dependents to Allah and His messenger."

The Prophet, however, answered: "If you

Umm Salamah was either the third or the

books record her original name.

The Muslims returned from Badr, having

raised to attack Madinah were left with no choice but to flee. They went in every direcoon leaving their cattle which the Muslims

The Mustims encamped there for several days during which the Prophet sent a number of chasing squads to make sure that the enemy was not regrouping. No one, however, was willing to fight the Muslims who went back to Madinah after they had established their authority in the northero area as well. This expedicion took place in the third month of the fifth year of the Prophet's emigration to Madinah.

The expedicion to Dawmat al-Jandal was significant in more ways than one. First of all it complements the earlier military activity which the Muslims had undertaken when they sent their forces eastwards, to Najd, in the heart of Arabia, before going south to meet Quraish at Badr, a meeting which did not take place because the other party did not turn up. Now, this expedition northward confirmed the authority of the Muslims in all areas surrounding Madinah. No one would now contemplate that a quick raid on Madinah would meet with any success. After all, everyone realized that the internal posioon of the Muslims in Madinah was so much stronger after the evacuation of the Jewish tribe of Al-Nadheer. Hence, the principal enemies of the Muslims. Quraish and the Jews evacuated from Madinah, realized that unless an alliance which brought together all forces hostile to Islam could be forged they bad no bope of causing even a dent in the solid structure of the Muslim state.

Another factor which made this expedirion necessary was the fact that the Prophet realized that another source of danger, maybe not in the very short term, was the Roman Empire. All areas, north to Arabia, from Palestine and heyond, belonged to the Roman Empire which ruled over Syria and as far east as the borders of present day Iraq. The Arabian tribes in the north of the Arabian peninsula feared no authority more than the Romans. The Roman emperor, on the other band, did not even think it possible that anything could happen in Arabia which may cause him any worry. It was necessary, there-fore, to plant the fear of the Muslim state in the hearts of the Arabian tribes which lived in the north, so that they would realize that their best hope was to be at peace with the Muslim state. This would help in the longer term, when the Muslims would have to engage the Romans in battle because it would restrain these Arabian tribes from attacking the Muslim army from behind. They would also hesitate before giving any aid to the Romans against the Muslims.

The expeditioo to Dawmat al-Jandal was also important in that it gave the Muslims a foretaste of what they might expect in case they had to face the Romans in a battle. The expedition gave them the necessary experience in going through the long desert route from Madinah to northern Arabia and prepared them for taking this journey again if

that would prove to be necessary. We have thus given an account of four major events in which the Muslims were involved without actually having to fight. In each of these events a bloody encounter might have taken place. In none of them blood was shed. Yet, they all tended to enhance the reputation of the Muslims, boost their morale and cause their enemies to be even more fearful of them. There can be only one explanation for all this: Allah was watching over this young Muslim state and helping it through its difficulões when the Muslims demonstrated that they valued nothing as

more important than the triumph of Islam. Yet these events, significant as they were, and enhancing the reputation of the Muslims as a fighting force as they did, did not mean that the battle for Islam was anywhere near completion. The Muslim state in Madinah was still in its early days, with its different and numerous enemies still taking the initiaove to raise forces and attack it. The Propbet's tactics of attacking any would-be aggressors before they had time to mobilize fully was highly successful in saving the Muslim state from several situations where it could have suffered a great deal of harm. Indeed, throughout this stage, the Muslim state was on the defensive. All the attacks the Muslims launched were, in essence, counterattacks. The power of their enemies was, however, being gradually eroded and a major rethinking and reconsideration of tactics was soon to be conducted by the enemies of Islam who were always on the watch for an opening which might give them the hoped-for break-through in their fight against Islam.

(To be continued next Friday)

he revealed books beto

By Adil Salahi

The need for divine revelations is derived, in the Islamic sense. from the fact that man, as Allah's chosen creature, has been entrusted with the task of building the earth. Since man cannot, on his own, know all the elements and forces that affect his life on earth, and since his mind as well as his knowledge have been confined to the limits which he needs in order to fulfil his task, he needs to be guided on how to discharge his responsibility. He needs to be told which things are useful to him and which are not. It should be pointed out to him which practices to adopt and which to leave off. Unless he receives such guidance, he can rightly complain that he has not been well equipped for his task.

It is not in Allah's nature to assign tasks to His creatures without equipping them fully for their assignments. Man and his task are no excepcions. Prophets and revelacions must be viewed in this context. Allah has sent successive prophets and messengers to guide man along the road which enables him to realize the purpose of his existence. He gave these prophets and messengers divine revelations which contained His guidance. Having done that. He left no excuse for anyone who wished to go astray. Those who stray do so at their own peril. They do not only suffer the consequences of their own errors when they choose the wrong way, but they also risk Allab's punishment in the hereafter. Indeed. His punishment is most severe to those who deliberately violate His law and go against His guidance.

In the Qur'an, Allah tells us the names of twentyfive of His messengers and prophets. He also says that there were others about whom He has chosen not to tell us. Obviously, their history is of no relevance to our fulfilment of the task He has assigned to us. Otherwise, He would have told us about them. Of those who are mentioned in the Qur'an some accounts are given which vary with regard to length and detail. It is abundantly clear, however, from these accounts

All called on people to believe in the oneness of Allah and in the day of judgment. At no time did Allah send a prophet or a messenger with a message which did not have this basic belief in the oneness of Allah as its central concept. Indeed, it cannot be visualized that Allah would accept from any community any faith which contradicts this basic principle.

Differences between these messages were confined to detailed legislations. These differences were made necessary by the degree of development man has achieved every time a new message was given. The messages were contained in divine revelacions which were vouchsafed to different prophets. Some prophets did receive revelations contained in Of the books revealed to earlier prophets,

the Qur'an makes a specific mention of the Torah, or the Old Testament, the Bible, or the New Testament, the Psalms which were revealed to Prophet David as well as the Scriptures given to Abraham. ft goes without saying that the Qur'an is the last of the divine books to be revealed, and as such, contains the final message from Allah to man. To believe in all these books and revelations is an essential requirement of every Muslim, if he wants to follow the example of our Prophet, Muhammad (Peace be on Him). If one does not believe to all these books then his faith, as a Muslim, is deficient. In order to be a true Muslim, any person must believe "in Allah, His Angels, books, messengers, the day of judgment as well as predestinacion." We will devote our present discussion to the belief in the divine books and scriptures.

Allah tells us in the Qur'an that the Torah, or the Old Testament, revealed to Moses, contains guidance which enlightens peoples' hearts, and He praises it in the following terms: We have certainly given Moses and Aaron the criterion (to distinguish between right and wrong) and a light and an Admonition for the godfearing. (21; 48) It is, however, commonly agreed that the Torah which was revealed to Moses (Peace be on Him) is oo longer in existence. The one which we

have today has been written by several writers in different times. It has been subject to distortion. The late scholar, Muhammad Fareed Wagdi says: "One tangible evidence of such distortion is the fact that the version of the Torah recognized by the Christians is different from its version recognized by the Jews." The Our an states that such distortion has taken place and puts the blame on the Jews for distorting the word of Allah: Do you, then, hope that they (referring to the Jews) will accept your message when some of them used to listen to the word of Allah then, having well understood it, they used to pervert it wittingly? Hence, only a portion of the Torah, as revealed by Allah, remains today in the hands of the Jews.

Perhaps the most important evidence of the distortion that has crept into the Torah is the fact that it speaks of Allah in impudent terms which are totally lacking in respect and propriety. Thus, we read in Genesis that the Lord was sad and felt sorry that He has made man. It cannot be said of Allah that He was sad or that He regretted doing something. How can that be, when He knows everything long before its occurrence.

Another example of this distortion is the accusations that are made against different prophets. Thus we read that Abraham was guilty of lying. Lot committed incest with his two daughters, Aaron called on the Israelites to worship the calf, David committed adultery and Solomon worshipped idols in order to please his wife. All these accusations are false fabrications which must be utterly dismissed by every Muslim without a moment's hesitation. All prophets were people of great imegrity, observed the highest standard of moral conduct and set a fine example for their followers in the correct observance of Allah's

The revelacions vouchsafed to Jesus (Peace be on Him), contained in the Bible, is again the word of Allah, given as guidance to mankind. It has been, however, subject to distornon as well. What we have today of the Bible is the four gospels which were selected to be

the standard gospels. There were some seventy gospels at the time wheo the choice was made. These gospels, however, are more or less biographies of Jesus (Peace be on. Him). They carried the names of their authors. Christians themselves admit that their faith upholds the views of St. Paul to the exclusion of those of Jesus' disciples.

The Qur'an is, as said earlier, Allah's final book revealed to man. It contains the total sum of Allah's commandments and endorses the basic principles contained in earlier revelations, such as the Old and New Testaments. It states in its original and true form the fundamentals of true faith which is acceptable to Allah, confirming all that is true in earlier revelations and outlining the distortion that has crept into them.

Allah has guaranteed the preservation of the Qur'an intact, in its original and only form, for the rest of time. Thus, the Qur'an remains forever the source of divine guidance which points out to man the way to earn the pleasure of Allah and to be admitted into heaven on the day of judgment.

It cannot be eovisaged that science will ever establish any fact which contradicts the Qur'an. The universe is created by Allah and the Qur'an is His word. Allah's word and work cao never be at variance.

Since Allah wants His word to spread and to be well understood by people, studied and memorized by His servants, He has made the Qur'an easy to understand, implement and remember. We, therefore, find that a large number of Muslim men, women and children memorize it from cover to cover without great difficulty. Indeed, this is not confined to Arabs, who speak the language of the Qur'an; we find people who memorize the whole of the Qur'an among all nationalines,

message, and since it has been guaranteed by Allah to be preserved intact, it is our only source of guidance for the fulfilment of our task as heirs of the earth who are charged with building it.

while they cannot speak a sentence of Arabic. Finally, since the Qur'an is the last divine

her husband's home during ber waiting period, when she is entitled to he supported. Afterward she is entitled to maintenance for herself for a year and maintenance for her children as long as they are in her custody. Her father or brothers should also support

DIALOGUE

Redress for divorced women

that all the prophets preached the same faith.

Q. I have witnessed pathetic cases of women abandoned by their husbands after pronouncing the word of divorce, for no apparent reason. What remedies for redress are open to such women and what injunctions in law exist to curb blatant misuse of this privilege by men? The majority of women in our community, especially the poorer sec-tions, unfortunately are not equipped with either any specialized education or any com-mercial skills to live on their own after divorce, and as it is mostly such women who become victims of this abuse. I would be grateful if you can elaborate this in full detail. particularly the injunctions referred to above.

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A. All laws may be abused, Islamic laws are not different. One basic difference, however, between Islamic law and man-made laws is that no violation of Islamic law will go unpunished. Anyone guilty of abuse of Islamic law will face the consequences of his actions on the Day of Judgment, if he escapes punishment in this life. An important principle of Islam is that Allah forgives only such sins which violate His own rights. Any actions which is a transgression on other people's

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rights is not forgiven unless the aggrieved party has willingly pardoned the offender.

Having said that, I must emphasize that farther away from Islam a certain community moves, more the cases of violation of Islamic law and the greater the suffering that results from such violations because the aggrieved party does not find the remedy which it would have otherwise found in Islamic society. The example you cite is just one case of such increased and unremedied suffering. Yet, Islam must not be expected to provide answers for situations which are not under its control. In Islamic society divorced women are well looked after by their relatives or by the state. If people abuse Islamic law in a community which does not conduct its affairs under Islamic law, then Islam cannot be expected to remedy such situations. There is, however, partial remedy, if the relatives of the divorced woman are good Muslims. In this case, they know that they have to look after her. This is not done as an act of kindness toward her, but she is entitled to be looked after.

We must not look at divorce as a privilege given by Islam to man. Divorce is a solution for a social problem. If a man is not happy with his wife or if their married life is beset with problems due to temperamental incomparability, then separation seems to be the answer which gives both of them a chance to

the second secon

start life anew with a different partner. Divorce must be viewed in these terms. It is not a privilege given to man in order to get rid of a wife whom he does not like. Indeed, Allah considers both man and wife equal. Each has rights and duties and each must fulfil his duties to the other. Under Islam, a woman is entitled to stay in

EVENTS OF ISLAMI - The year began on Monday, Dec. 10, 641 C.E.

- Amr Ibn al Ass reconquered the city of Iskandariya in the beginning of the year.

— The last Roman ruler left Iskandaria by sea to Constantinople on 16th Shawwal marking the end of Roman rule in Egypt. Uqba bin Nafe conquered Zuwaila in

northern Egypt. - Under Caliph Umer's order to plan new cities for Muslim capitals, Knfa and Basra were built at strategic positions in

- The Western command designed the new city of Fustat (near Cairo) with a mosque in the center - the first mosque on African continent.

- Noman bin Mogrin advanced to Nahayand in Iran and conquered it after a tough battle in which he died a martyr. - Abdullah bin Atbas conquered Hamsber afterward if she cannot earn ber own

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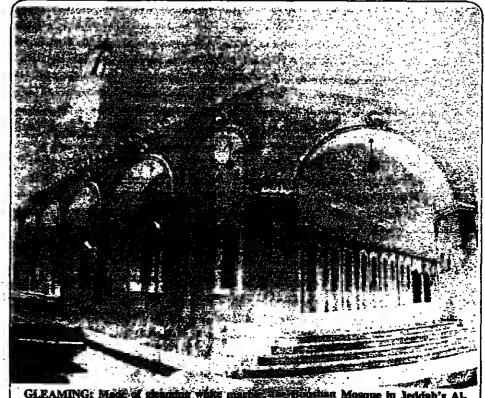
Antakiya and Maltiya in the north. Mujahid bin Sabr, the renowned Qari and Abrah bint Abd Rabman al Najjariya, the famous lady scholar of Hadith were

- Al-Ula bin Hadrami, the Prophets' ambassador to Bahrain, expired. He was succeeded by Abu Hurairah.

— The great Muslim general, Khalid bin Waleed, halled as "Sword of Allah", expired at Homs in Sham (Syria). He was a bitter enemy of Islam in the battle of Uhud but after embracing it in 07 A.H. became its great champion and won many resounding victories for Islam.

- Muslims got the control of renowned Alexandria Library with 300,000 papyrus

— Abu Tariq Hijezi



As fancied Liverpool, Aston Villa crash

ngland's European Cup challenge ends

LONDON, March 17 (Agencies) -Glamorous Juventus and unfashionable Widzew Lodz of Poland combined to end England's six-year monopoly of the European Soccer Cup Wednesday night.

The Italians, 2-1 ahead of Cup-holders Aston Villa, won 3-1 in Turin to run out 5-2 winners while the Poles, despite losing 3-2 at Anfield, qualified for the last four on a 4-3

The remaining semifinal places were filled by Hamburg of West Germany and Spanish champions Real Sociedad. Hamhurg, runners-up to Nottingham Forest in 1980, went down 2-1 to Soviet champions Dynamo Kiev at home, but still went through 4-2 overall, while the Spaniards scored the two goals they needed to overcome Sporting Lisbon's one-goal first-leg advantage.

Though the absence of Europe's more glamorous names may dilute the Champions' Cup, few can mourn the passing of Liverpool and Villa.

England's six-year reign via Liverpool (1977, 1978 and 1981), Nottingham Forest (1979 and 1980), and Villa (1982) was far from distinguished and it is to be hoped the new champions, wherever they come from, put the romance back in soccer.

Juventus will carry the hopes of the uncommitted. Any side which contains so many world class players must be worth watching — which the Villa players failed to do Wednesday night.

Platini scored two goals, masterminded Juventus' midfield play throughout and inspired the most dangerous attacks. He received rousing applause from a sold-out crowd of 70,000 for a well-deserved personal

The French forward scored the first goal in the 14th minute, Midfielder Marco Tardelli headed in the second in the 27th and Platini made it three in the 68th. Centerforward Peter Withe scored the only goal of the visiting team with a beautiful header in the 81st

The Italian team, which had won 2-0 the first-leg match in Birmingham, showed faster and more trenchant actions, causing problems to Villa's defense at any attack. The British team started the match on an aggressive note in an attempt to recover the first-leg gap, But a hlunder by goalie Nigel Spink blew up Villa's chances and disheartened the team.

Spink tried to stop a powerful kick by Pla-tini from 20 meters but the ball, made heavy

Score-board

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-63, 2-132, 3-206, 4-312,

i-325, 6-329, 7-463. BOWLING: Holding 31-1-106-1; Roberts 25-3-

100-2; Marshell 27-8-72-0; Garner 30-7-81-1; Gomes 19-7-45-1; Richards 7-4-14-1.

PORT-OF-SPAIN, Trinidad, March 17

(AP) - India carned a hard-fought and

deserved draw Wednesday in the second cricket Test of the five-match series against

India scored 175 and 469 for seven wickers

and West Indies tallied 394. Mohinder

Amarnath provided the backbone to the

Indian effort and captain Kapil Dev ended the Test in a spectacular flourish with crucial

The dogged Amarnath, the 32-year-old right-hander from Delhi, kept the West

Indian fast attack at bay for five and three

quarter hours with a courageous 117 during

Compton, Edrich

off to bright start

LONDON, March 17 (AP) — Denis Compton and Bill Edrich, two of England's

famous Test cricketers, Wednesday won the first round of a campaign to send a team of English players to South Africa.

The Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC) agreed to call a special meeting to discount.

agreed to call a special meeting to discuss the proposal and to allow its 18,000 members to

vote on it in a ballot by mail. Compton and Edrich, who starred together for Middlesex and England, handed in a request for the tour

signed by a list of MCC members at Lords.

headquarters of the game.

The MCC will announce a date for the

meeting later and is expected to hold it after

the World Cup, a tournament of one-day

games to be held in June and involving all the

cricket-playing Commonwealth countries

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M. Amananth lbw Richards
D. Vengaarkar e Dujou b Roberts

by rain and mud, slipped between his legs and slowly rolled into the mouth. The british goalie could do nothing on the

fine header of Tardelli, who netted from a few meters but from a difficult position a precise pass by striker Paolo Rossi.

Ovations saluted Platini's third goal. The French player exchanged the ball with Polish winger Zibgniew Boniek and kicked from the penalty area limit. The ball grazed the post at the left of Spink and swelled the net. Withe reduced the margin for Astoo Villa, as Juventus slowed down the pace and just tried to control the ball.

Liverpool, red hot favorit es to overcome the Poles, suffered a major blow when Scottish striker Kenny Dalglish failed a late fitness test with a stomach upset. But their hopes soared when England fullback Phil Neal netted a 15th minute penalty and they dominated the game for the next 29 minutes.

Then Widzew struck to deadly effect. Miroslaw Tlokinski equalized shortly before halftime from a penalty and Włodzimierz Smolarek put them back in the driver's seat eight minutes after the interval.

In the unaccustomed position of being 4-1 behind Liverpool then threw caution to the wind. Welsh international Ian Rush, top scorer in English football, pulled one back before Dave Hodgsoo trimmed the aggregate score to 4-3 in the dying seconds.

Liverpool manager Bob Paisley had little praise for the Polish side after his team's exit. Said Paisley: "Lodz won't win the Cup. I was surprised at their attitude; the way they kicked our players, and their cry baby attitude whenever they went down".

He went on: "It's no good moaning about it but when we needed Dalglish's experience we didn't have it. We had them where we neededafter our early penalty but we didn't have a

cool head and experience to keep us on top. We have been punished for that.

Hamburg could well afford to lose 2-1 to the Soviet champions. The cultured Valdimir Bessonov put Kiev back in the game in the second half, after Oleg Blokhin had come on as substitute, but Jimmy Hartwig replied almost immediately. And although Yevinchenko added a second for Kiev after the interval, Hamburg ran out comfortable 4-2 winners overall.

Real Sociedad, the Spanish champions, had to wait until four minutes before halftime to draw level with their Portuguese guests, Juan Larrangana levelling the aggregate score in the 41st minute.

But Spanish hopes of a seventh European Cup success - Real Madrid lifted the trophy six times between 1956 and 1966 - soared when Jose Baquero scored the winner midway through the second half.

Real Madrid still the most famous name in European foothall, had to fight all the way to reach the Cup Winners' Cup semifinals. Having drawn 1-1 against Internazionale in Milan two weeks ago, Real looked to be in serious trouble when World Cup star Sandro Altobelli shot the Italians ahead in the 21st minute. But Real came surging back after the interval and goals from Jose Salguero (51) and Santillana (56) put the Madrid maestroes into the last four.

Barcelona makes exit

Holders Barcelooa, however, crashed out despite the combined efforts of Diego Maradona and Cesar Luis Menotti, Barcelona, trying to huild on the 0-0 draw they gaind away from home against Austria Vicnna, were always in trouble after Stein Kogler scored in the 37th minute. Jose Alesanco equalized 60 seconds before the interval hut the Austrians held out in the second half to secure a famous victory.

Bayern Munich shocked Bayern Munich, champions of Europe from 1974-1976, crashed out of the Cup Winners' Cup against Aberdeen in Scotland. The ooce-mighty West Germans, who were held to a 0-0 draw in the first leg, went down 3-2 despite leading 2-1 with 29 minutes to go. The remaining semifinal place was taken by the little-known Belgians Waterschei, who beat Paris St. Germain 3-0 after extra time, having lost the first leg 2-0.

In the UEFA Cup, the four semifinalists are Bohemians Prague, Anderiecht of Belgium, Universitatea Craiova of Romania and Benfica of Portugal



IN SAFE HANDS: Round's goalkeeper Tancredi dispinys a safe pair of hands after Benfica's Nene (leftsfalls to get his head to a rising shot in the UEFA Cup contest in Lisbon Wednesday. Belica won the tie 1-0 and made the semis.

At a glance CHAMPIONS CUP 3 Widzew Lodz -3 on aggregate)

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Shilton could prevent City from changing League course

LONDON, March 17 (AP) - Manchester City, one nf England's most famous soccer teams, goes sliding down the First Division standings. The fans are wondering where it will end.

In the first munth of the season the men in the sky-blue shirts were winning and threatening to make a bid for the championship title. Then everything started to go wrong. Trevor Francis, England's Wurld Cup goalscoring ace, left to play in Italy.

City lost more than Francis. Manager John Bond, rated one of the shrewdest bosses in English soccer, quit. Then a row of matches was lost. Now Manchester City has thropped to five places from the bottom of the standings. Unless the slide is halted, the famed team could be in danger of dropping to the Second Division.

Ciyt is away to Southampton this Saturday. having lost four and drawn two nf its last six away games. Southampton is a formidable home team, with Peter Shilton safely keeping goal. A win for Southampton could be another nail in City's coffin.

Bond was succeeded by his assistant manager John Benson, who had previously been with him at Norwich City and Bournemouth. Since Benson took over City has suffered a string of defeats. Criticizing his players' lacks of dedication, Benson said: "I can do more

"Look at how the people support the

World Series, the Snper Bowl and the Olymp-

ics. It was the same way at the FIFA All-Star game. It's fantastic," Pele said. The United States is making its first bid

ever to host the World Soccer competition

that takes place every four years. The 1986

World Cup originally had been awarded to

Colombia, but that small South American

country found itself unable to fulfill its com-

mitments due to inadequate facilities and a

Other countries who are competing with

the hulk of the score. Shaukat (3 for 52) was

And when the Blues took their turn in the

middle, they got off to a bright start through

Nasar Azam (42) and Jawed (32) sharing 82

runs. But once the opening pair was broken, wickets turnhled at regular intervals and the

Blues fell short of the target by 11 runs.

Shaukat had raised a prospects of a close finish with a hreezy 27, hnt lobal (3 for 31) and Jawed (4 for 27) finished nff the npposi-

Athar Khan, with four sixers and 11 fours,

cracked a brisk 99 in New Stars' 332 for nine against AQLS. Rizwan (41), Shafi (44), Yunus 39), Aziz (16) and Rashid Khan (25)

were the other scorers. AQLS folded without

a fight for 121 with Alim top scoring with 36.

Naseer chipped in with 24.

Indian Blues' most successful bowler.

sagging economy.

for them. They have to put more effort into their play."

City has 38 points from 32 games, which

leaves ten still to play. Below in the standings are Luton with 34 points, Swansea with 31, Norwich with 29, Brighton with 28 and Birmingham with 27. But all these teams have played fewer games than City. Birmingham has four games in hand, Luton and Norwich three, Brighton two and Swansea one. It looks ominous for Benson's team. The bottom three at the end of the season go down to the Second Division.

Over the years there has always been keen rivalry between the two Manchester teams. City and United. First one is on top, then the other. But right now United is winning the glory. It has reached the semifinals of the English FA Cup and is in a close race with

Watford for runners-up place in the league. Liverpool is so far ahead that the change iouship looks settled. But second place in

British results ENGLISH DIVISION ONE
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Dickson sweeps Lendl off his feet

MUNICH, West Germany, March 17 (AP) — Top-seeded Ivan Lendl of Czechos-lovakia suffered a crushing defeat by Ameri-

The 23-year-old Czech was hindered by a shockingly weak serve and committed several double-faults before 2,500 spectators in Munich's Rudi Sedlmayer Hall. Unnerved as Dickson returned almost every ball, Lendi succumbed after 100 minutes. Dickson, 23, ranks 31st on the world list. He meets German champ Peter Elter in Thursday's second

Fibak of Poland advanced to the third round by whipping Australian Paul McNamec, 7-5, 6-0. Bill Scanlon of the U.S. won his second round 6-2, 7-5 against Australian John Alex-

land 7-6, 6-1 in the second round of the \$200,000 ABN World Tournament in Rot-

In other second round singles action, John Fitzgerald of Australia defeated Jiri Granat of Czechoslovakia 6-4, 6-2 and Nick Saviano

of the U.S. edged past Jaime Fillol of Chile In Boston, despite a wrist injury she put on

ice immediately after the match, secondseeded favorite Tracy Austin whipped Leslit Allen 6-4, 6-2 in the second round of the \$150,000 Virginia Slim Championship Tournament.

her fellow-West German Claudia Kohde 6-2, 6-4 in a 58-minute contest.

Coffey aids Oilers slip past Canucks NEW YORK, March 17 (AP) - Edmon-

ton defenseman Paul Coffey's disputed goal with 27 seconds left snapped a 3-3 tie and gave the Oilers a 4-3 National Hockey League victory over the Vancouver Canucks Wednesday night.

Elsewhere in the NHL, Milan Novy's deflection of a Rod Langway shot enabled the Washington Capitals to break a third period tie to defeat the Hartford Whalers 5-4. The triumph raised the Capitals record to 35-22-14. Hartford is 17-49-6.

Reijo Ruotsalainen put a 15-foot wrist shot over the left shoulder of goaltender Roland Melanson with 3:59 remaining, giving the New York Rangers a 2-1 victory over the New York Islanders.

Al Second ignited a three goal explosion in a two minute span of the first period to lead the Chicago Black Hawks to a 4-1 victory over the St. Louis Blues. While the Min-

in opening round

can Mark Dickson, who surprised him 6-1, 6-2 Wednesday night, in the \$300,000 WCT Indoor Tennis Tournament.

round. In other action Wednesday night, Wojtek

Meanwhile, top-seeded Guillermo Vilas of Argentina defeated Jakoh Hlasek of Switzer-

Fourth-seeded Sylvia Hanika, 23, defeated

nesota North Stars registered a 3-2 decision

over the Pittsburgh Penguins. The victory gave the North Stars a 38-19-15 record for 91 points, two hehind Norris Division-leading Chicago, and the Penguins are tied for last place in the NHL with Hartfordon 40 points.

10C award for Indira NEW DELHI, March 17 (AFP) - Prime Minister Indira Gandhi will be awarded the Olympic Gold order during the 86th session of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) to be held here from March 25 to 28,

the Indian Olympic Association said. Mrs. Gandhi will get the award for promotion of sports and her role in hosting the minth Asian Games in Delhi last year, Mrs. Gandhi will be the eighth recipient of the order, and the first Asian and the first woman to be thus honored.

RISES TO THE OCCASION: Real Madrid goalkeeper Garcia Remos rises to the occasion by plucking away a dangerous cross from reaching Inter Milan's Altobelli (left). Real won the return-leg clash of the Cup winners' Cup 2-1 in Bernaben Stadium Wednesday to qualify for the semifinals. To keep in the hunt for playoff berth Knicks come into their own come against winning teams. NEW YORK, March 17 (AP) - The New Bernard King and Buck Williams scored 15 points each for the Knicks, while Treut Tucker and Bill Cartwright had 14 apiece. After leading by seven poiots going into the

nick of time scored 35 points and John Drew aded 34 as

second period, the Knicks outscored the

Bucks 39-26 in the second quarter to go up

The Knicks built their largest lead, 70-48.

64-44 at halftime.

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In their last three triumphs on the road against New Jersey, Boston and Milwaukee. who have three of the five best records in the league - the Knicks have built 20-point halftime leads.

Wednesday night's 105-93 victory over the Bucks in Milwaukee also gave New York a seven-game winning streak for the first time

which he was frequeotly battered and bruised

When be was the first of three wickets to

fall for 17 runs in the bour before tea, the

West Indies had a faint scent of victory that

would have extended their lead in the series

to 2-0. But then the dymanic Kapil Dev,

attacking with powerful strokes all round the

wicket, put the result beyond doubt, adding

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Syed Kirmani, 30, and finishing with an even

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lindia trailed by a daunting 219 nn first

innings and was still 50 in arrears when they

started the day at 169 for two wickets. Amar-

nath was then 54 and be shared two impor-

tant partnerships with Delip Vengsarkar and

Yashpal Sharma before the West Indies

Amarnath and Vengsarkar put on 74

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keeper Jeff Dujon nff an Andy Roberts out-

swinger after making 45. For the next two

and a half hours, Amaruath and Yashpal defied the West Indies bowlers on an easy-

paced pitch, putting on a further 106 for the fourth-wicket. Then Amarnath, Yashpal and

Ravi Shastri were dismissed within 17 runs of

four wickets standing and a possible four and a quarter hours remaining. They had col-

lapsed to defeat in a similar position in the

first Test in Jamaica hut this time Kapil Dev

met the potential crisis with positive strokep-

India was then 329 for six, only 110 nn with

threatened to break through.

with blows to his body and helmet.

in the third period before Sidney Moncrief, whn led the Bucks with 19 points, sparked a

10-0 comeback to make it 70-58 with 5:20 left in the period. But Cartwright scored 10 poiots, including two consecutive dunks on assists from Wil-Amarnath, Kapil slam tons liams, in the fourth quarter to keep New Ynrk's lead in dnuble figures. Its average margin of victory during the seven-game winning streak has been 11 points. The as India sails to safety in Test

Knicks, who were 14-26 and in last place in the Atlantic Division Jan. 22, are now 35-30 aod can make the playoffs.

76ers 105, Celtics 100: Andrew Toney scored 12 of his 33 points in the furth quarter

and Moses Malone added 28 points as Philadelphia beat Boston without injured Julius Erving and flu-plagued Maurice

Lakers 104, Suns 95: Los Angeles woo its fifth game in-a-row as Earvin "Magic" Johnson had 25 points, 11 rebounds and eight assists against Phoenix. Dennis Johnson led the Suns with 23

points, while Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, whn had only seven points with 3:45 left, finished with 12 to keep alive his streak of scoring in double figures in 437 consecutive regular season games.

Mets %, Cavaliers 90: Albert King and Michael Ray Richardson each scored 19 points and New Jersey beld off a late Cleveland rally to win its fourth straight game.

Hawks 94, Bullets 81: Atlanta never led in regularing time, but outscored Washington 14-1 in overtime to take a for-game lead over the Bullet in the race for the final Eastern Conference playoff spot. Johnny Davis scored 10 of his 22 points in the extra period for the Hawks, whn trailed 70-60 with 8:29 left in regulation. Greg Ballard had 26 points for Washington.

Sonics 110, Kings 102: Gus Williams scored 22 points and Jack Sikma added 21 points and 19 rebounds as Seattle won its fnurth consecutive game and handed Kansas City its fourth loss in-a-row. The Sonics broke away from a 36-36 tie with eight straight points in the second period and the Kings never got closer than five points the rest of the way.

Jazz 125, Pistons 115: Rookie Jerry Evaes

Utah stormed past slumping Detroit. The Jazz trailed 80-69 midway through the third quarter, then outscored the Pistons 56-35 therest of the way. Eaves had 15 polots in the period to spark the rally. Terry Tyler led Detroit with 26 points, but Kelly Tripucka scored only eight, 19 under his average. Bills 113, Warriors 111: Reggie Theus scored 13 of his 32 points in the final period

to pace Chicago over Golden State. Theus broke the last tie of the game with 3:40 left with a jump shot that made it 105-103.

World Cup Soccer

Pele favors U.S. as host NEWARK, New Jersey, March 17 (AP)— the communications," Pele se the communications," Pele said in a telephone interview from New York.

Pele, the Brazilian soccer legend, added his whole-hearted support Wednesday to the United States Soccer Federation's hid to host the 1986 World Cup.

"The time is right for the Warld Cup to come to the United States," said Pele, who led Brazil to three World Cup championships before completing his brilliant career with the Cosmos of the North American Soccer League in New Jersey.

"Ever since the last World Cup in Spain, 1 have believed this," added Pele, who was just 16 when he sparked Brazil to its 1958 World Cup victory in Sweden. "Having the 1986 World Cup would be tremendous for soccer. This country has everything, the hig stadiums, the hotels, the travel facilities and

the United States to host the competition are Mexico, which held the event in 1970, and Splendid all-round show by Nadim past Indian Blues by 11 runs. Batting first, JCC piled up 191 with Khalid (30), Shaheen (27). Jaweed (37) and Farukh (24) getting

JEDDAH, March 17 — A superb all-round performance by Nadim Malik high-lighted Abdullah Hashim's fluent 130-run

victory over Al-Hijaz Cricket Cluh in the Alhusseni-sponsored BMW Cricket League last weekend. He first cracked a blistering 90 in Abdullah

Hashim's mammoth 270 for four and then came nut with a match-winning seven for 52 show to skittle Al-Hijaz for 140. Only a hrave 61-run partnership between Zahid Ahhas (44) and Zia (37) pushed Al-Hijaz'a tally past the three-figure mark. Earlier, Nadim was involved in a hectic 151-run association with Saudagar (73) in boosting Abdullah Hashim's total. Fayyaz Baloch and Asad Ali Khan (37) were the other main contributors.

Jeddah Cricket Club (JCC) registered yet another win in the league when they scraped

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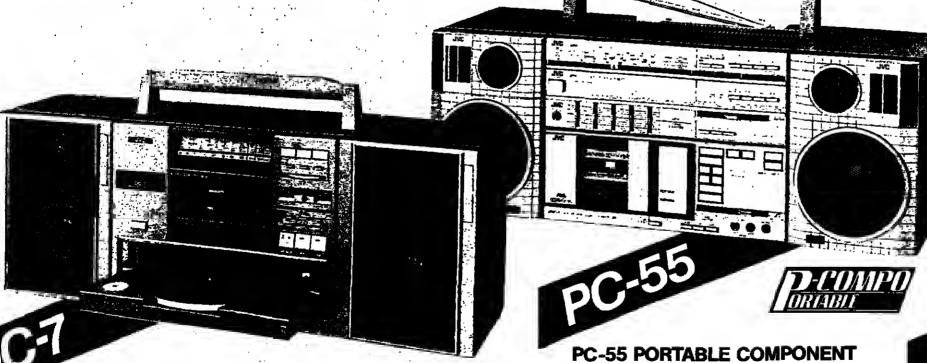
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Dog Detective Ranjha

The case of the human bones -2

By Partap Sharma

Accompanied by the Inspector, we all went off to the spot where the bones had been found.

As before, I led them to the place where the smell of blood and clothes was strongest. But it had grown fainter. In a few days it would elude me completely. I knew l had to track down the source of the smell

The Inspector and Woof were searching the bushes with the aid of sticks. They were obviously hoping to turn up some kind of

evidence. For me, the concentration of the scent in one spot was so annoying that I jumped up a number of times and then tried to remain standing on my hindlegs in order to test the air. Was the smell somehow falling from above? No, the air above was clean; the smell was strongest close to the ground and

seemed to come from the earth. Then it struck me. The blood-stained clothes had been huried!

I pawed at the earth. The criminals had been in a hurry. The clothes were quite near the surface. Soon I had the corner of a gray cotton jacket between my teeth. I pulled and tugged it free, almost falling over back-

ward in the attempt. Woof and Dr. Rao and the Inspector were astounded. Woof asked me to stand back and the Inspector carefully dug up the rest of the clothes.

After that, identifying the victim was not difficult. The police had the washerman's marks and laundry marks checked; the clothes were discovered to belong to D.D. Bhai. His family and shop assistants now knew that he had never reached Bombay. But, though they racked their brains, they couldn't provide any clue as to who the murderer could be.

Back we went to the jungle, and this time I was leading a police party. But the scent of the murderers had faded above ground though I had caught a bit of it on the clothes of the dead man.

Now I began to quarter the jungle, pushing through narrow tunnels of intermeshed hranches and foliage. It was tough going for the policemen, but they followed gamely Then Woof called a halt.

definite track and we're going to exhaust ourselves trying to keep pace with the dog. Let's wait here in this clearing and let the

dog inform us when he's found something." So they sat there and waited. Woof gave me the commands, "Ranjha - search, quarter, speak," and I bounded off.

An hour later, and more than a mile away, I came across the ashes of a fire that had been lit over three stones in a little clearing. A few yards from the fire, in the shrubbery, was a knife with dried blood on it. I sniffed at the blood. Yes, it was the same as that on the clothes I had found.

I barked. Further up on the hillside. Woof and the police party could hear the sound as it echoed up from somewhere in the valley. I must have barked more or less cootinuously for about ten minutes. But my ears told me clearly that the party was crashing off in the wrong direction. The echo was deceiving

I raced back to Woof. The party turned round and followed me.

Some of these men had been sent up on special detail from the district headquarters in Satara. One of them carried a walkietalkie set that could communicate with the police van parked at the cemetery. When we reached the clearing, be informed the people in the van that we had found the knife and would try now to press on after the murderer or murderers. The van. of course, relayed this message on to the police station. In a while, we were told that some gold dust had been found in one of the pockets of the dead man's jacket.

No one touched the knife. Woof asked me to take the scent from its handle, which I did. But a two-week-old trail is difficult to follow. I frequently lost the scent. Eventually, I couldn't find it at all.

The head of the police party studied a pocket compass carefully and said. "You know, I think for a while they must have lost their way. That seems pretty clear from the manner in which they meandered about and had to stop for the night and light a fire in that clearing."

"Hm, very likely." Woof nodded. "But why do you say 'they' had lest their way! How are you so sure that there was more

"Well, I noticed that three spots had been cleared of leaves. One was obviously for the fire and there were two other cleared areas in front of it. There must have been at least two men. I looked for footprints but the ground was dry. Also, I think these are not villagers hut city men."

"Why do you think that? I must say yon're making some very clever deduc-

The policeman laughed, and said modestly, "I used to be a game scout, sir, and then I joined the Forest Department. I had plenty of experience catching poachers before joining the police."

"But why do you say these are city men?" "I can't be absolutely sure, sir, but I am inclined to suppose it because, normally, a tired villager from these parts wouldn't trouble himself to sweep an area clean before sitting or lying down. You must have noted the broken, leafy sapling on one side of the fire. They used that to hrush the leaves aside. What's more, an anxious villager would move straight through the jungle, in a downward direction, to the valley. After all, the valley provides the one sure way of escape. But these men have been following overgrown paths and have often moved parallel or away from the val-

"Excellent?" Woof exclaimed delightedly. "If you don't mind my saying so, I'm sure you'll do very well in the police force."

"Thank you, sir. Very kind of you tn say so. Might I make a suggestion?" "Of course. You're in charge of the

"Well, sir, it'll he dark soon and there's no further point in trying to track them through the jungle. Let's go back to the van and drive to the villages in the valley. We can make inquiries there about any strangers who may have emerged from the jungle

about two weeks ago." "Right," said Woof and back we all went to the van and the other vehicles parked

In the villages of the valley, however, we drew a hlank. Finally we stopped at a roadside stall for some refreshment. "Well?" Woof asked turning to the head

said the Inspector. of the party. "What shall we do now?

There's not a cine to the identity of these two men."
"Oh, but there is, sir."

Woof looked at the man in astonishment.

"Yes, sir. The very fact that the villagers don't consider these men strangers means that they are familiar sights in this region. But as I said, they are city men. So our next step should be to find out who are the city men who are often seen in this area. Even buses don't come to these villages. So these men are either some kind of traders or they bave settled here recently. We've radioed a message to the Inspector and he'll be meeting us here shortly with a list of such men."

When the Inspector arrived, he clapped the clever policeman on his shoulder and said, "Good work, Havildar Kamhle!" A havildar is a constable in the Indian Police

Havildar Kamhle saluted and said, "Thank you, sir." Then he patted me as I stood beside him and added, "But it was Ranjha who provided all the clues," 'Yes, that's true, and I shan't forget it,"

As we went from house to house checking

Illustration by Abdurahim Alireza on the new residents of the area, I was able

to provide one more clue. Toward midnight, we knocked on the door of Garud Sinh. As he opened the door, the faint scent I had caught on the knifehandle now struck me with full force. I leapt at him. Startled and frightened, he fell over.

I took his wrist in my mouth. "That's your man, Inspector!" Woof shouted in excitement.

The police were more calm about it. They were used to catching murderers and meeting them face to face. Also, evidence provided by a tracker dog is not enough to convict a man in court.

The Inspector had come prepared with search warrants. The police searched the house. Of course, they found the title deed to the land and that was no surprise since they already knew about the sales which D.D. Bhai had made. But then they found a gold nugget.

When Garud Sinh was confronted with the fact that gold dust from the same nugget had been found in the pocket of the dead man's jacket, be broke down and confessed. He was a proud man. He cried out that he didn't want to be hanged as a thief. He had pever stooped to thievery. He had only avenged himself against the man who had

eheated him. Garud Sinh's brother had fled to Bombay soon after their return to the village. Within hours of receiving a message to this effect, the Bombay police arrested the man:

In a few weeks, the case came up in court I had to make an appearance; the judge was curious to see me. In a few minutes Wood led me out again. I didn't have to say or do anything! But I couldn't help growling when I saw Garud Sinh in the dock.

Later, when I heard Dr. Rao and Wood discussing the case, I learned that the judge had been pleased enough to commend me for the help I had rendered. The crisinal were given life imprisonment.

And, true to his word, the Inspector hadn't forgotten me. He presented me a feeding bowl on behalf of the entire police party. It was actually a helmet of the Riot Police. It had a plaque on it which Wood read out to me. It said: To Dog Deserve Ranjha from his friends, the police. (To be continued next Friday

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Filipino women display flair for technical inventiveness

MANILA (Depthnews) - The inventive mind knows no gender, and among the more outstanding inventions exhibited at the recent celebration of Philippine Inventors Week were by women. Their work ranged from the formulation of fuel substitutes and creation of energy and labor-saving devices to research on the industrial and food uses of common plants.

One of the faster-selling items, was a lay stove by Venida Goloy-Quetulio. A social studies teacher in a provincial high school, Ms. Quetulio was one day discussing the energy crisis with her class and asked what might be done to solve it. "Crumple newspapers into halls and throw them into the fire," was one boy's answer.
Whatever wisdom there might have been

in the suggestion was quickly lost in the ensuing laughter. But when Ms. Quetulio got home, she found her husband indeed crumpiling newspapers into balls for fuel. Soaked in water for two days and dried, the balls burned

"Then the idea just came to me," recalls Ms. Quetulio. She took three pages of an old magazine, folded them as one and tied them into a knot. About 12 of those paper knots humed for 15 to 17 minutes, enough to cook a pot of rice for a family of seven. The knots also emitted less smoke than ordinary charcoal or firewood.

The next thing Ms. Quetulio did was to improve on the design of one of the com-monly used stoves found in ber hometown of Tayug, Pangasinan province. The result was "Tipid Kalan" (economy stove) which allows for better air flow and fire regulation. Sold for about \$2 to \$4 Tipid Kalan is more expensive than ordinary clay stoves but it is more durable. It is much cheaper too compared to other fuel-saving stoves made of cast iron or aluminum alloy.

Again it was rising fuel costs which made Carlita Rex Doran think of a cooking medium that is efficient yet cheap, convenient, safe and labor-saving and ultimately led to the discovery of Siroca cooking fuel which won third prize in the utility model contest, chemical category, of the Philippine

to meet Ms. Doran's idea of what a cooking fuel should be.

A chief feature is its convenience, since one simply has to put the fuel into a tin can, light it and place it under whatever it is to be heated. Covering the can puts out the fire. It does oot burn by itself and can be safely stored indoors. Neither does it emit fumes (being free of harmful chemicals) which may contaminate the food, and has no danger of leaking or exploding. It may even be used inside an air-conditioned room, according to the

A chemist by profession Ms. Doran is oot stopping there. She is set to come out with a ministove so that Siroca fuel could be used more handily in homes, business establishments and on cookouts.

The desire to develop fuel substitutes also prompted five schoolteachers led by Lourdes M. Perez and Aurora Claveria to study the "talism" not which their province of batangas has an abundance of.

The teachers saw that the fruit, which children eat but has no other common use, contains diesel-like oil. They made it a school project to extract and analyze the oil, themselves putting in as much as nine hours of their free time.

Blending the talisai nut oil with diesel, the researchers came up with Tali-Gas which they claim is basically the same as diesel. It was found to have no ill-effect on the engine and to be no smoke belcher when tried on a diesel powered utility vehicle (Isuzu jeepney). Tali-Gas won for the group an out-standing award in the SEER (Searchers Exposition and Energy Research) contest in December 1981.

Equally promising is the research done by Grace Esther L. Coloma on sorghum, a coarse-grain plant commonly used as animal feed. The research shows that like the occount, every part of the sorehum plant it useful. Its grain can be grounded into flour for porridge, flat breads and cakes. The stalks contain a semi-cellulose substance which can be made into paper, without need of a chemical binder. Wax may be extracted from the leaves, oil from the grain has medicinal properties and the fiber can be used for handiorafts. The research project gave Ms. Coloma an award as one of 10 outstanding inventors

Tips for choosing perfumes

By Betty Graham

Perfume is fragrance, and fragrance is you. an essential part of you, the beauty scene, the very essence of style, atmosphere, memory and the most important - you.

The art of perfumery is subtle and complicated and the very best are trained at the world's perfume essence center in Grasse. Provence, France, where the different essential oils and various natural extracts derived from flowers and herbs are distilled, stored and distributed. This is a trade that is flourishing the world over and the Orient plays a very popular role and the perfumes of the Orient have been famous for centuries.

In the Orient a concentrated extract is distilled of flowers or herbs with great care and precision. This intricately prepared product is known as "attar". The smell of a drop of this will last for an eatire evening and leave a lingering smell till morning.

Ingredients for perfumes include a blend of

floral and herbal oils, like rose, lily of the valley, jasmine, mint, camomile and sign; Spices such as coriander and woody trigeances such as sandaiwood are also very pera-

lar. Some perfumes leave a heady fragrance

Almost all smell different when mixed and blended with natural body odor. When choosing your perfume the most important consideration is whether you like the smell or not. Don't get influenced by the glib talk of a salesman or the wrappings of the package. Try out several perfumes giving them time to hiend with the natural smell of your skin. The ideal way to shop for a perfume would be to try three or four varieties at different places on your wrist and leave them a while and look at other things in the shop that interest you. Then smell the perfumes taking strong sniffs and make up your mind

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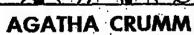






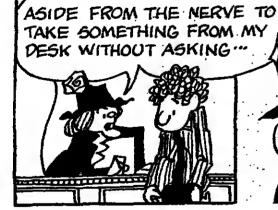












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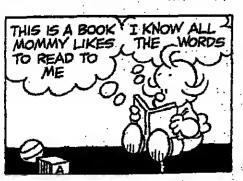
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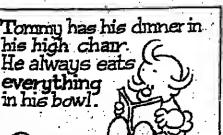
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Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake _

FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 1983

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Someone who doesn't appeal to you may be romantically attracted to you. Private money

chats go well. Enjoy cultural pursuits. TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) On-the-job romantic attractions aren't favored. Meet with friends of like interests

for stimulating intellectual

times. Help someone in need. GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Be careful not to arouse another's jealousy. You'll have good insights about a career matter. Delicacy of

feeling is needed. (June 21 to July 22) An unusual career oppor-tunity could arise now. The artistically inclined enjoy success. You'll see eye-to-eye with a friend. LEO

(July 23 to Aug. 22) An off-color remark could upset the sensitive among you. You're impressionable in love and may be drawn to an unusual type of person.

(Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) Power plays affect your financial dealings with others. A relative needs a kind word from you. Loved ones respond

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SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Some subconscious tension exists between you and a loved one. A heart-to-heart talk, though, clears the air. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

but you shouldn't let others impose on you. Stay clear of those who take more than they CAPRICORN

A vain person wants to see if you too will succumb to their charms. Creative types enjoy unusual productivity. Express your thoughts.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) An unconscious sexual attraction may be at the root of an argument between you and another. Relations with

(Feb. 19 to Mar. 20) Watch out for those who would take advantage in financial matters. Career progress comes now and finances should improve.

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(Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

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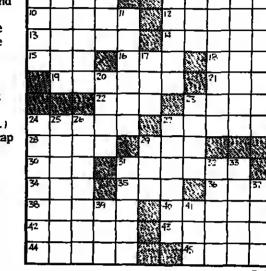
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Test Your Dummy Play

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2. You are declarer with the West hand at Six Hearts and North leads the nine of diamonds. How would you play the hand? (Let's assume the missing trumps are divid-

ed 2-2.) ♥KQJ72 ♦KJ5 **₽**AQ

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1. This is one of those hands where you're certain to make the contract regardless of bow the missing cards are divided if you play correctly. Obviously, there's no problem if the diamonds are divided 2-1; you simply cash the A-Q-9 of diamonds and overtake your eight with dummy's king. That gives you nine tricks, easy as pie.
But let's suppose the

diamonds are divided 3-0, which happens 22 percent of the time. In that case, one opponent holds the J-10-6 of diamonds and you can't run your six diamond tricks unless you find a way of untangling the blockage in the suit.

ducking the king of clubs and then also ducking the queen of clubs if West continues the suit. This enables you sooner or later to dispose of your eight of diamonds on dummy's ace of clubs and thus run the diamonds successfully.

North cannot defeat you by shifting to a heart at trick two. You win the heart and lead the ten of clubs, following low from dummy. This play likewise unblocks the diamonds and assures the con-

2. Win the diamond lead with the jack, draw trumps, cash three more diamond tricks, discarding a spade, then play the ace and another spade towards dummy's remaining Q-7. If North has the king of spades, dummy's queen becomes your twelfth trick. If South has the king of spades, you still have the club finesse to fall back on.

It is important to first test your luck in spades rather than clubs, because you give yourself an added chance to make the slam if it turns out that South was dealt the king of spades. If you were to try the club finesse first and lost the queen to the king, you would almost surely wind up going down one. In effect, by tackling spades first, you give yourself two chances to make the contract instead of only one.

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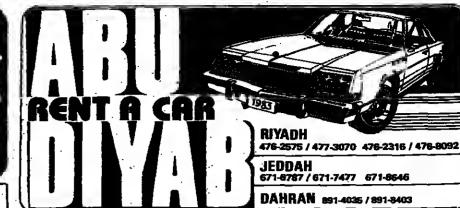
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Drug ring bosses freed

French scandal hits four prison doctors

PARIS, March 17 (R) - A woman doctor who headed France's prison hospital service has been charged in a scandal over the release of drug ring bosses from jail on health grounds, judicial sources said Thursday.

Solange Troisier, 63, a former Gaullist member of parliament, was indicted in Marseilles on Wednesday on allegations of having issued false medical certificates. She is the fourth senior prison service doctor to be charged since investigations began last year into suspicions that important drug traffickers were feigning illness and buying their freedom from jail.

The probe began when a prisoner said he had paid \$15,000 in an unsuccessful effort to secure his release on medical grounds.

The sources said more people were expected to be charged as examining magistrates waded through a thick dossier of suspect releases. At the center of the scandal is the 100-bed Baumettes Prison hospital where leadig members of the "French connection," the notorious Marseilles heroin ring, are held.

Charged with Dr. Troisier are Dr. Alain Colombani, former head of medical services at Baumettes, and doctors Bernard Mariotti and Raymond Mazaud who worked with the prison. They face up to three years imprisonment as well as medical disgrace. Dr. Troisier, a Paris University professor, gynaecological surgeon and member of the central committee of the neo-Gaullist RPR party, was inspector general of the prison hospital system until December.

The accusations against all four stem from the case of Robert Kechichian who was released from Baumettes in 1981, alleged to be suffering from a serious cancer, while awaiting trial for drug offenses. He immediately disappeared and was later sentenced in absentia to 18 years imprisonment.

Marseilles Judge Pierre Michel. who reluctantly signed Kechichian's release after warning that he would escape, was murdered three months later by unknown assailants. Police believe his killing was linked with his investigations into the French connection traffick-

Prosecution sources alleged that Dr. Colombani first diagnosed cancer in Kechichian in May 1981. They said his findings were confirmed by Dr. Mariotti and Dr. Mazaud, who told Judge Michel the prisoner needed intensive care which could not be provided at Baumettes.

The alternatives were to send him to

Indian Army chief tours Assam areas

NEW DELHI, March 17 (AFP) - The Indian Army chief, Gen. K. V. Krishna Rao, Thursday began a tour of the troubled northeast state of Assam amid reports of a possible new mass protest against immigrants from Bangladesh and Nepal. Gen. Rao, whose command covers India's 944,000-strong infantry, was to meet the armed forces commanders in the sensitive border state before returning here Saturday.

The administration in Assam, run by Premier Indira Gandhi's Congress (I) Party. asked the army Tuesday to take full control of the state capital Gauhati and 17 other areas. The army was given wide powers to arrest, search, demolish any structure, and shoot at sight anyone indulging in violence and arson.

Meanwhile, Indian news reports said the All-Assam Students' Union, which is spearheading the four-year-old protest against the immigrants, had called a meeting in Gauhati on March 21 to work out a new strategy.

Japanese-Americans sue for U.S. damages

WASHINGTON, March 17 (AFP) - A group of 25 Japanese-Americans, acting for 120,000 others who were interned during World War II as potential security risks following the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. sued the U.S. government on Wednesday.

An order banning all U.S. citizens of Japanese origin from residing, working or traveling on the U.S. West coast was signed by President Franklin Roosevelt in Fehruary 1942. Last Feb. 24, a special government commission termed the measure, which sent 120,000 to relocation camps in California and six other western states, "a grave injustice" that explainable only by "war hysteria"

and "racism." The 25 plaintiffs, backed by the U.S. National Council for Japanese-American Redress, are seeking \$200,000 each to compensate for moral and material damages suf-fered and for official acknowledgment of legal U.S. responsibility.

The case was put before a federal judge here on the basis of World War II documents recently declassified. "For the first time, the injury has been defined in unmistakably clear terms," said one of the plaintiffs, William Minoru Hohri. "We believe we have a very

strong case." "This suit is the culmination of the kind of things that have been brewing for the past 41 years, since we were interned," Wes Yamaka told a Los Angeles press conference.

Los Angeles and San Franciso, two of the main centers for Japanese Americans, agreed recently to compensate state and city employees who were interned. San Francisco paid \$1,250 for each year of intermment.

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Fresnes Prison outside Paris which has a better equipped hospital or to grant him provisional liberty, according to the sources. His transfer to Fresnes was opposed by Dr. Troisier, acting as inspector general, who said Kechichian was too ill for the hospital's

resources to cope with him. The judicial sources alleged her intervention made it inevitable that Kechichian should be freed, despite the gravity of the charges against him. They also quoted evidence by doctors at the Marseilles anticancer center that his tumor was benign and need not have affected his detention.

Since the discovery of the scandal, prison authorities have cracked down on requests by prisoners for medical parole. On Tuesday, a former leader of the French connection who was given medical leave in 1980 while serving a 15-year drug sentence was arrested and sent back to Baumettes after failing to report for a heart check.

Huge sums are always involved in prisoners "buying" their freedom, but details of the bribes paid or deals made have so far not been released officially. Police sources, however, claim that "astronomical figures are involved," AFP reports.

Union leader smells rat in Polish rallies

GDANSK, Poland, March 17 (AP) -Lech Walesa, leader of the outlawed Solidarity labor union, spoke out Wednesday against "unorganized and anonymous" demonstrations such as those on Gdansk and three other Polish cities this week.

"We wete not the organizers and the whole thing was very suspicious," Walesa said of demonstrations by about 1,500 Solidarity supporters Sunday and Monday in Gdansk. The untest in Gdansk, Warsaw, Wroclaw and Kalisz was inspired by unsigned leaflets which Walesa said "seemed fake, very suspicious."

Interviewed before be attended the trial of six Solidarity figures in Elblag, 62 kilometers east of his home in Gdansk, Walesa stopped short of accusing either Poland's Communist authorities or militant opponents of the government of inciting the unrest.

The state-run radio said the demonstrations were incited by "anti-Socialist elements ... doing everything to prevent further nor-malization, especially now that preparations are under way for the pope's (June) visit, which is clearly unwanted by the political

opposition at home and abroad." Walesa said that his every action is closely watched by the authorities, and claimed that someone - he would not explain who wants to eliminate the most aggressive people. And they want to demonstrate force ... (to tell society) don't try anything, because we are very strong."

Walesa, who last week called for more "determined action" by Solidarity suppor-ters, possibly including "protests, hunger strike and strikes," said he was not issuing a call for the kind of occupation strikes that led to Solidairty's creation in August 1980.
"I mentioned those forms of protest as

examples," he said. "I meant that depending on the area, possibilities and effectiveness. (we) have to choose more effective and more visible means to demonstrate that we are still

here and that we will not give up."
His goal, he says, is revival of Solidarity. which was suspended with the martial law declaration of Dec. 13, 1981 and outlawed last October.

"Many things can be called a strike," he said. "Among others, there can be such a simple and funny strike for example that we don't buy goods" from the state production and distribution system.

Walesa said on his release from Martial law internment last November that be was walking a greased tightrope between inaction and action which could lead to his arrest. Now he says, "the rope is slippery, but so far, Im

haven't fallen down.' The 39-year-old former electrician declined to publicly discuss his future plans in details but said be "will be more active now ... and will travel all around the country doing the things I used to do," meeting and coun-

seling Solidarity supporters.
Walesa voiced conditional support for Solidarity's underground leadership, but said he could not endorse all of its tactics, which include preparations for a general strike at an unspecified date.

He remains on the payroll of the Lenin Shipyard, Walesa said, but so far managemeni has not allowed him to resume his old joh there, and has not given him a reason.

British soldier shot

BELFAST, March 17 (AFP) - A British soldier was badly wounded in a rocket and automatic rifle attack on an armored car here Thursday, Northern Ireland police said. The soldier, who was shot in the legs, was taken to hospital where his condition was said to be critical.

The incident happened as the army vehicle was returning to base in 'Whiterock Road, in the troubled city's Roman Catholic district.



BURNING BUS: Commuters enraged by a cut in service by privately owned transport companies in Sao Paulo, Brazil, set this bus and another on fire and stoned two dozen others this week. The companies cut their services to force the government to allow them to raise fares.

ALICE SPRINGS, Australia, March 17 (R) - Flash floods which swept through this central Australia desert town left one man dead and four persons missing, police said Thursday.

The Goods Wednesday night in normally dry Alice Springs followed torrential storms which in hours dumped about six inches of rain in the area's beaviest downpour for more than 10 years. Police said the floodwaters had receded but added that the rain bad started again and more storms were forecast. The Todd Rivet, a wide water course which was completely dry Wednesday, rose to four meters at one stage and hurst its banks.

The dead man was one of four persons in a caravan on the river bank which was swept downstream. His body was found on a sandbank outside town as the river dropped to about one meter deep. The other three, and a man swept off a causeway about the same time, were still missing, a police spokesman

Britain's Prince Charles, his wife the Princess of Wales and their son Prince William are due in Alice Springs on Sunday to start a

six-week tour of Australia and New Zealand. A government official who arrived in Alice Springs on Thursday to complete arrangements for the three-day royal visit there said: "we are ahead as planned."

The floods have washed out many local roads around the outback town as well as the main Stuart Highway which links it to Darwin to the north and Adelaide to the south, Many telephone and all commercial telex links with the area have been out of action since the floods, and the town has been without electricity since Wednesday night when toodwater damaged equipment in the proof station's hasement. Most large but lings have

emergency generators. The storms were the latest in a series of extreme weather conditions which have caused death and destruction in Australia recently. In February, a combination of strong winds and the worst drought this century produced devastating hushfires around the southern cities of Melbourne and Adelaide. The fires killed 72 persons. Only weeks later, flash floods in the Adelaide hills caused widespread damage but no casualties.

U.S. wants to question Klaus Barbie

WASHINGTON, March 17 (Agencies)-The U.S. Justice Department wants to interrogate accused Nazi war criminal Klaus Barbie, awaiting trial in France, concerning Barbie's alleged postwar links with American intelligence in Europe, a department spokesman said here.

We are very seriously considering that," said Allan Ryan, who is heading an inquiry opened this week into Barbie's activities. Barbie. 69, head of the Gestapo in Lyons from 1942 to 1944, subsequently fled to Bolivia, which last month expelled him to France, where he is charged with crimes against humanity.

Shortly after he arrived in France, reports surfaced concerning Barbie's collaboration with American intelligence services, which reportedly paid him \$1,700 a month for information on the location of Nazis in Europe. The U.S. Justice Department has also released documents indicating that Barbie entered the United States on four occasions in 1969 and 1970 with a Bolivian passport under the name Klaus Altmann, an alias he is said to have used in Bolivia.

Meanwhile, Barbie's daughter-in-law believes he and the French resistance bero he allegedly tortured to death could have become friends "under different circumstances," according to an interview broadcast Wednesday by French radio. Françoise Croisier de Altman, widow of

Barbie's only son, told Radio France-Inter in an interview from Bolivia that her father-inlaw had great respect for resistance leader Jean Moulin.

Barbie was head of the Gestapo in the southern French city of Lyon when he and a dozen men captured Moulin in June 1943 in a raid on a supposedly secret resistance meeting. Moulin had been sent from London to occupied France by Gen. Charles de Gaulle to organize the various resistance factions under a unified command.

Barbie is accused of torturing Moulin to death, a charge he has repeatedly denied. "He (Barbie) spoke to me of Jean Moulin." Mrs. Croisier de Altman said. "He said he was a man he appreciated and with whom, lamentably, he came into contact as an enemy. They could have been friends under different circumstances."

She said Barbie was "a just man, good and honest and an excellent grandfather and father-m-law." She also denied reports that Barbie was involved in illegal drug transactions in Bolivia, where be lived from 1951 until his expulsion and subsequent extradition to France last month.

Mrs. Croisier de Altman was married to Barbie's only son, Klaus-Altman Wilhems, who was killed in an automobile accident ... May 1981. She teaches French in Santa Cruz, Bolivia, and the interview was conducted in French. Barbie, whose wife died of cancer last December, has a daughter living in Austria.

Court sources in Lyon said Wednesday prosecutors are awaiting medical approval before resuming their questionign of the 69-year-old Barbie, who underwent successful emergency hernia surgery two weeks ago.

U.S. diplomat leaves

MOSCOW, March 17 - (AP) - American diplomat Richard W. Osborné, branded a spy by the KGB secret police last week, has left the Soviet Union, a U.S.-Emhassy spokesman said Thursday.

The embassy provided no details about his departure or destination. In the week since Osborne was labelled a spy, the embassy had refused to say when he would depart or comment on the substance of the KGB charges revealed last Thursday in the government newspaper, Izvestia.

radicals PEKING, March 17 (R) — Three extreme leftist leaders have been jailed for "counterrevolutionary" crimes committed during the Maoist Cultural Revolution of 1966-76, the

China jails

Peking Daily said Thursday.

The official newspaper said former student leader Kuai Dafu, a star prosecution witness

at the trial of the "gang of four" radicals led by Mao Tse-tung's widow Jiang Qing, was given a 17-year sentence for murder and other crimes.

A former Peking University woman teacher, Nie Yuanzi, who won national fame for writing the first "big character poster" of the Cultural Revolution, was also given a 17-year sentence, while another prominent student leader, Han Aijing, was jailed for 15 years, the paper added.

Kuai and Nie admitted most of their crimes

but denied being counterrevolutionaries. Han "shifted the blame onto others and absolved himself from blame," it said. Nie, 62, "took part in plots aimed at overthrowing the power of the people's democratic dictatorship" and also framed and persecuted many innocent people, the newspaper said.

The Peking Daily said the trial of the three ended Wednesday and was attended by 3,000 persons. Chinese sources said they were all arrested several years ago and had been in jail ever since.

The paper said that in sentencing Kuai, the court had taken into consideration the fact that he had given important evidence in the "gang of four" trial in November 1980.

Kuai, 37, was brought from jail to give crucial testimony against Jiang Qing's henchman, former Shanghai city boss Zhang Chunqiao. At the trial, Kuai told how, in December 1966, Zbang ordered him to publicly discredit head of state Liu Sbaoqi and China's present strongman, Deng Xiaoping.
"You young revolutionary fighters should

flog the cur that has fallen into the water. Make their very names stink. Don't stop half-way." Kuai quoted Zhang as saying. Zhang, who refused to utter a word throughout his trial, was given a suspended death sentence which was commuted to life imprisonment last January.

Letter bomb claimed BUENOS AIRES, March 17 (R) - An

claimed responsibility for letter bombs sent to British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and U.S. Navy headquarters in London this week, the private news agency DYN reported Wednesday night. The agency said it had received a call from

a man saying be belonged to an organization called "April 2" after the date on which Argentina occupied the Malvinas (Falkland) Islands, sparking the South Atlance war last DYN quoted the caller as saying: "unfor-

tunately, the letter we sent to British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher was intercepted ... but sooner or later we are going to blow off

Two letter bombs sent to Mrs. Thatcher's official residence in Downing Street were safely defused Wednesday and Tuesday. Another, sent to the U.S. Navy's European headquarters in London, went off Tuesday and slightly injured a chief petty officer.

Tank rider back in post

BASINGSTOKE, England, March 17 (AP) - A teen-age soldier who took home the 50-ton Chieftan tank he had been learning to drive was allowed to return to duty Wednesday, according to the Defense Minis-Nineteen-year-old Philip Maton is back

driving a tank in military exercises in West Germany with his unit, said a ministry spokesman. "No disciplinary action has been taken against him." His mother Diane, 36, said she was "very relieved" her son was working again. Maton had been under "close arrest" Feb.

18 after driving the tank - equiped to lay a steel bridge - g0 miles to his home in this Hampshire town. He drove at top speed, 22 mph, along wind-

ing rural roads without mishap and parked outside his home at 6 a.m. When his parents failed to notice his arrival, he drove to his old school's playground where schoolchildren. and army officials, found him.



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Convicted Soviet spy dies defected and gave the Canadian government WARSAW, March 17 (AP) - Fred Rose, a convicted Soviet spy who was Canada's only member of parliament elected under the Soviet Union.

Communist banner, has died in his native Poland, his wife Fanny Rose said Thursday. He was 76.

Mrs. Rose said her husband died Wednesday in Warsaw but she was too upset to give a reporter further details. The cause of death was unknown.

After the conviction in 1947, the Canadian government forbade him from visiting his daughter, said Merilly Weisbord, a friend in Montreal who spent five days with Rose in Warsaw in 1978 while researching a book on Canadian radicals.

In 1945, Igor Gouzenko, a young decoding clerk at the Soviet Embassy in Ottawa,

a list of its citizens described as spies for the "Of all the persons mentioned in the Rus-

sian documents ... none, Soviet officials excepted, have been more repeatedly and prominently mentioned than Fred Rose," a royal commission reported in 1946 after investigating Gouzenko's revelations. The documents said Rose gave the Soviets details about a secret wartime session of parliament in 1944.

Born Fred Rosenburg in 1907, Rose moved nine years later with his parents and settled in Montreal's working-class district of Cartier. Rose was elected as the Communist Labor Progressive member of parliament in 1943 and won re-election in 1945.

Illegal aliens facing Belgian swoop BRUSSELS, March 17 (AFP) - The Bel-

gian government is planning to crack down on illegal Asian and African immigrants, either arriving or living here, as public concern grows over their presence.

Several burgomasters (mayors) have told the government that they will not provide food, aid or shelter for these immigrants, mainly from Ghana, India, Pakistan, Zaire and Romania.

A Belgian Foreign Ministry spokesman, denying reports that immigrants would be sent to disused barracks while their situation was examined, said it was possible a reception center near the Zaventem International Airport would be prepared for refugees seeking political asylum in Belgium.

Meanwhile, several mayors are refusing to provide social benefits to 600 Pakistanis who have arrived here this year. Mayor Roger Nols called on residents of his district to commemorate on Saturday the first anniversary of the death of a young Belgian "cowardly murdered by a group of young North

Belgian associations for the defense of immigrants are organizing a mass rally March 25 to protest barsher Belgian immigration

They are opposed to a draft project to limit immigrants to a certain tolerance quota in each Brussels district to prevent local residents from being swamped out by foreigners.

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